Calendar 29
Business 24
Classifieds 25
Public Safety . . . 10
Sports 18

ON AN ATYPICAL DAY 100 MILLION PEOPLE READ A NEWSPAPER

A TURLEY PUBLICATION www.turley.com

Judge denies defense in manslaughter case

Trial set for Sept. 9
By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Correspondent

AGAWAM – Several charges, including manslaughter by motor vehicle, are continuing to move

forward after Hampden County Superior Court Judge Edward Mc-Donough, Jr. refused a motion by the defense to throw out the statements of Vincent Albertson.

Albertson, a 22-year-old Agawam man, is accused in the death of the 16-year-old Agawam resident Amanda Croisetiere. He pleaded not guilty to all charges last Wednesday in Hampden Superior Court.

Shortly after 11:30 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2012, West Springfield Police responded to an accident involving a 2012 Nissan Altima near 109 Morton St. Albertson, the driver of the vehicle, was driving north with

four passengers, including Croisetiere, when his car veered off the road, struck a utility and pole and then was flipped on its side, according to police reports.

Croisetiere, a sophomore at Agawam High School, was pronounced dead at the scene, police said. Accident investigators believe Croisetiere was not wearing a seat belt.

Albertson and three others were taken to Baystate Medical Center and then released with minor injuries. One of the passengers was identified as Janel Thies, also of

Please see MANSLAUGHTER, page 8

D'Amato seeks zone change for Rowley Street property

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – An Agawam resident is seeking a spot zoning change for a parcel of property she does not believe she can develop to serve an agricultural use.

Carole D'Amato has submitted a zone change request for 105 Rowley St. in Agawam. Part of the property is zoned as Agricultural, which means it could be used for farming purposes or as open space.

According to her application, the northwest portion of the property, which abuts the street, is zoned in the Residence B zone. D'Amato wishes to have the remainder of the property zoned as Residence B.

The residence zone goes 200 feet deep into the property from the road. There is approximately 15 acres of land and much of it is located behind Sarat Ford.

There is an easement on the property possessed by Western Massachusetts Electric Company.

Please see D'AMATO, page 8

EAGLE HAS LANDED



Agawam Advertiser News courtesy photo

Agawam Advertiser News reader Lea Campiti Starkey of Agawam captured this amazing picture of an American Bald Eagle on Aug. 19 at Congamond Pond in Southwick. She says, "I just happened to be in a right place at the right time. We watched two fly above us from the boat. Then one dove down and got a Bass [visible in the picture]. He flew up into the tree where I got the photo." Email us your own amazing high resolution photos to: tkane@turley.com.

Rossi: New subcommittees have streamlined city govt.

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – Two years ago, the Agawam City Council agreed to combine their many small subcommittees in favor of creating four larger sub-committees.

In two years, the combining of the sub-committee has allowed city council members to accomplish more and be more organized.

"I think it has gone very well," said Councilor Robert Rossi, a longtime member of the city coun-

cil. "We had a lot of sub-committees and it sometimes made it difficult to expedite matters to the full council."

Rossi is the chair of the Administration Sub-Committee. Before this sub-committee was established, there were smaller three-member committees dedicated to utilities and street acceptance, licensing, sewers and re-organization.

"We probably see the most action with the sewers and the licensing," said Rossi. "My sub-committee has to deal with a lot of licenses

See GOVERNMENT, page 8

Love of boating turns Agawam resident into antique aficionado

By Mike Lydick
Turley Publications
Correspondent

Boats have been part of Bop Hager's life ever since he was a child. His first one was a dinghy with a small outboard motor. That dinghy is long gone, but his passion for boats remains as strong as ever.

"I'm into boats, period," said Hager, 68, who has a cabin cruiser moored on the Connecticut River. **Please see BOATING, page 13**



Turley Publications photos by Mike Lydick

Agawam residents Bob and Carol Hager in the cockpit of their antique boat – a 1959 MFG Union runabout – a fiberglass replica of a classic 1955 Lyman runabout.

Dear Reader:

We are pleased to provide this second and final complimentary issue of The Agawam Advertiser News. We hope you enjoy it.

We have enclosed a remittance envelope with today's paper, which may be used to subscribe now or extend your current subscription. The envelopes are provided for your convenience, but do not mean your current subscription has expired. Thanks for taking time to consider the service and product we provide. As always, we welcome your feedback. Please allow a couple of weeks for processing your new subscription. We look forward to serving you!

Sincerely, Patrick Turley, Publisher



begins at
STATE LINE
PROPANE



Call us for Fire Pits, Gas Grills, Pool Heaters and AC Service.

We install, service and stand behind everything we sell.

Visit our Showroom

Monday - Friday 8a - 5p or by appointment 500 Salmon Brook St, Rte 10/202, Granby, CT

> www.StateLinePropane.com Licenses S1: 303179, P1: 204150, HOD: 737



413-998-0080

Hendricks completes LDAC at Fort Knox

Ashley T. Hendricks, an Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) cadet at Johnson & Wales University in Rhode Island, has graduated from the Leader Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) at Fort Knox, Ky.

The 29 days of training provide the best possible professional training and evaluation for all cadets in the aspects of military life, administration and logistical support. Although continued military training and leadership development is included in the curriculum, the primary focus of the course is to develop and evaluate each cadet's officer potential by exercising the cadet's intelligence, common sense, ingenuity and physical stamina. The cadet command assesses each cadet's performance and progress in officer traits, qualities and professionalism while attending the course.

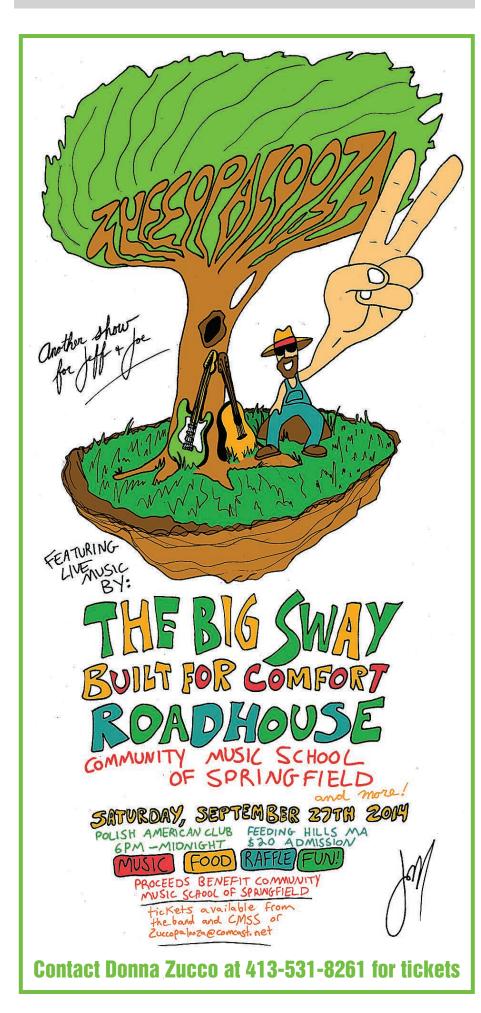
Cadets usually attend LDAC between their junior and senior years of college, and they must complete the course to qualify for commissioning. Upon successful completion of the course, the ROTC program, and graduation from college, cadets are commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army, Army National Guard, or Army Reserve.

Hendricks is the daughter of John W. Hendricks, of Feeding Hills, and granddaughter of Gladys Roy and Rosemary Hendricks, both of South Hadley. She is a 2011 graduate of Agawam High School.

ROTC cadet Ashley Hendricks (fifth from left) is pictured with fellow cadets at Fort Knox, Ky.



PLEASE RECYCLE THIS PAPER



Observe National Sickle Cell Awareness Month by donating blood

SPRINGFIELD – The American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to help ensure a stable and diverse blood supply by giving blood in honor

of National Sickle Cell Awareness Month this September.

Sickle cell disease is an inherited disease that causes red blood cells to form an abnormal crescent shape. It is estimated that sickle cell disease affects as many as 100,000 people in the U.S. Many of these patients face a lifetime of blood transfusions to help reduce the risk of stroke, damage to major organs and other complications that can arise as a

result of sickle cell disease.

Since blood from donors of the same ethnic background as the recipient is less likely to cause complications, the Red Cross must maintain a diverse blood supply. This is

particularly important for patients like those with sickle cell disease who may require regular blood transfusions.

A blood drive will be held Monday, Sept. 15 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St.

For more information or to make an appointment to donate blood, visit redcross-blood.org or call (800) 733-2767.

STATE SENATOR DON HUMASON

"I am proud to represent Agawam in the Massachusetts State Senate! Please feel free to contact me if I may ever be of service to you."



www.DonHumason.org

Senator Don Humason

64 Noble Street Westfield, MA 01085 413-568-1366

Proudly serving Agawam, Southwick, Granville, Tolland, Westfield, Russell, Montgomery, Easthampton, Southampton, Chicopee (7, 8A, 9A) and Holyoke in the Massachusetts State Senate

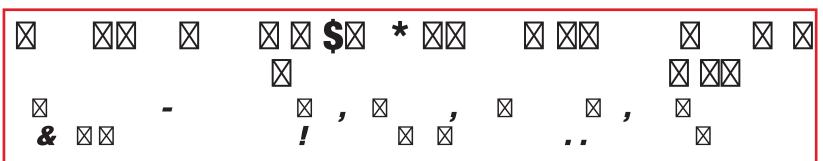
Paid for by Senator Don Humason



300 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA (across from CVS)

We Now Have a website. Please visit our website at www.goodiesconveniencestore.com

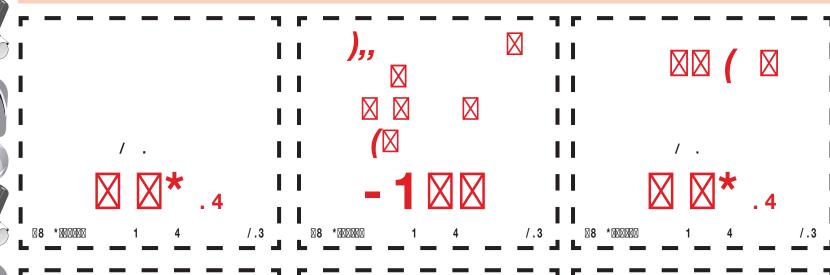
CHECK OUT OUR BACK TO SCHOOL DELI SPECIALS TERS FOR EVERY OCCASION.

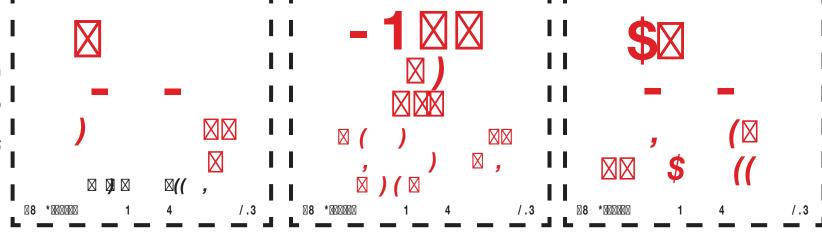


29 0 99 0

Stop In and Play Keno Here!

We also have FULL LOTTERY







ARE YOU OLD NEWS?

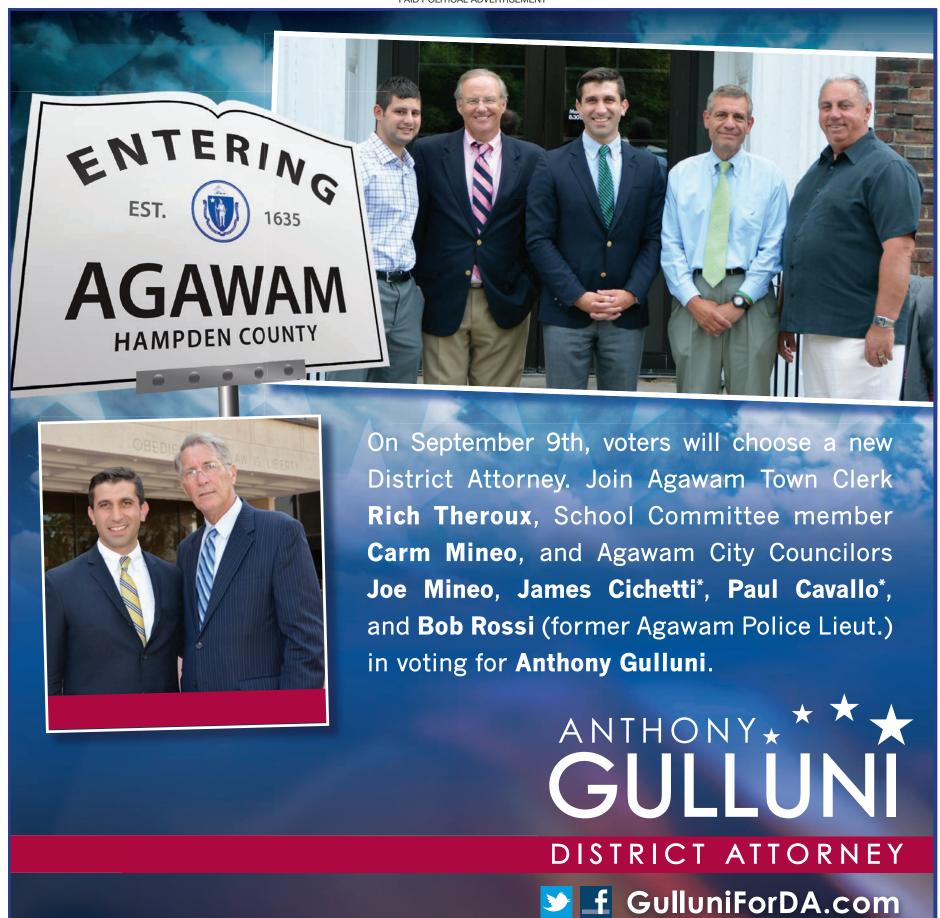


Each week the Agawam Advertiser News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured. Email your answers by Monday at noon to tkane@turley.com.

Last week's photo: Those correctly identifying Ralph DePalma were Lou Scherpa, Marcella Kratovil and Donna Kennedy.



PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT



Hazardous Waste Collection set

The Agawam Department of Public Works will hold its annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Saturday, Sept. 6 at the DPW Annex, 1000 Suffield St., from 9 a.m. to noon.

This program offers residents a safe, economical way to dispose of household items that are flammable, reactive, corrosive or toxic. Solvents, pesticides, caustic cleaners,

and oil based paints are some examples of the different types of items that will be accepted.

For a complete list of acceptable materials, visit www.agawam.ma.us.

This event is free to Agawam residents, but pre-registration is required. Appointments may be scheduled by calling the DPW at 821-0600 ext. 0 or 821-0624.

AAN Historical Archive



On this week 50 years ago in 1964, a group of Agawam girls won the championship for archery at the Auburn Fish and Game Club. The winners included Nancy Theroux, Margie Donovan, Arlene Sidello, Carol Pasiecnik and Dottie Johnson. Today, archery is not as popular a sport in Agawam but there are still competitions held in the area. The Agawam Bowmen is an archery club held in Southwick and the Mass Bowmen Associations is in Springfield. The Auburn Fish and Game Club still holds the Safari League Championship in August as it did 50 years ago.

Commission raises the bar on disability awareness

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM - The Agawam Commission on Disabilities is looking to raise awareness about people with handicaps and disabilities in town and is seeking the help of the mayor's office and the Agawam City Council to make it happen.

Two members of the commission, Frank Mazzei and John McCarthy, approached the council on Aug. 4 at the council's only meeting of the month.

At the meeting, both said they were seeking the support of the council in the future to hold some sort of an awareness day in town.

Since that meeting Mazzei says the commission has been mulling different ideas and is very interested in doing a walk or running event.

"Much like the different marathons or something like the Holyoke St. Patrick's Day race," said Mazzei. "People with disabilities can participate using the Hoyt-style wheelchairs that are made for walkers or runners."

Mazzei said the commission's request is still in the law department and they are awaiting permission from the mayor's office to pursue holding an event. If they obtain permission from the mayor, it is possible the city council will have to approve a resolution allowing the event to be held because the Commission on Disabilities is a town entity.

Unfortunately, Mazzei said this week, there will not be enough time to secure a date for an October event.

"We are probably going to have to wait until next spring to hold this," said Mazzei.

McCarthy told the council that the Commission on Disabilities, which was established by Mayor Richard Cohen, is celebrating its 10th year in existence.

"We are really hoping to become more active and make people aware of us and disabled people in the community," said Mc-Carthy. "We want people to know we are here and there are resources out here to help people."

The event would also likely include several vendors and maybe some demonstrations. The Massachusetts Office on Disabilities could make an appearance, as well as other state, county, and local groups and agencies that assist residents with disabilities.

In addition to holding the event, McCarthy and Mazzei both hope it brings some awareness to businesses in town that are currently not providing proper handicapped access to their customers.

"When we hold this event, we would definitely bring some of the businesses that have worked to comply with the code and provide proper access to residents," said Mazzei. "We have a lot of people who use wheelchairs in our community.'

Mazzei said he wishes that more businesses were focused on complying with the handicapped access codes.

Businesses that make improvements or renovations to more than 30 percent of their existing footprints are required to make full improvements to comply with the updated handicapped code 521 CMR.

"We definitely need to see more compliance in town," said Mazzei. "We do not have enough businesses that are acceptable. It is disappointing."

The Commission on Disabilities is charged with advocating for individuals in town who are disabled. The advisory board is also responsible for advising the town on regulations related to the handicapped code as well as giving updates on new regulations.



Sundance Tanning

Massage Therapy, Joan Crouse & Assoc.

Nutmeg's Dance & Theatre Co.

208 College Highway, Southwick, MA

At the intersection of Routes 10/202 & Route 168

SELLING? BUYING? in Agawam / Feeding Hills /West Springfield?

Are reputation, experience, and integrity important to you?



20+ years of experience A proven track record! **Kim Landry** 413-519-9719

KimLandrySold@comcast.net

SOME OF KIM'S AGAWAM/W. SPFLD. SALES:

AGAWAM/ FEEDING HILLS

- 693 North Street 11 Carol Avenue 30 Washington Street
- 35 Horsham Place 58 Elbert Street
- 533 Mill Street 161 High Street 57 Harding Street
- 154 Southwick Street 404 Adams Street 30 Stanley Place 224 Mill Street
- 31 Hastings Street 72 Columbia Drive 33 Plumtree Way

111 Doane Avenue

- 1049 River Road 115 Campbell Drive 147 James Street 85 North Westfield Street
- 14 George Street 23 Muriel Lane
- 1185 Suffield Street 180 Line Street 13 Nicole Terrace 50 Wilson Street
- 35 Lealand Avenue 48 Florida Drive
- 144 Parker Street
- 102 Suffield Street 5 Butterwood Road

- Condos
- 24H Castle Hill Road 21A Castle Hill Road 418E6 Meadow Street 98 Corey Colonial 73 Dogwood Lane
- 178 Regency Park 420 Main Street U43 61 Plantation Drive 4 Corey Colonial
- Multi-families 164-166 Walnut Street 70-72 Maple Street 39-41 Royal Street

WEST SPRINGFIELD 81 Forest Glen

- 1358 Amostown Road 126 Jensen Circle 54 Pebble Path Lane 44 Monastery Ave 40 Johnson Street 262 Woodmont Street 500 Gooseberry Road 31 Belmont Avenue 1272 Morgan Road 69 Hazel Street 163 Wilder Terrace 89 Verdugo Street 66 Hillside Avenue 370 Brush Hill Avenue 34 Van Horn Street
- 11 Niles Street 62 Mt Pleasant Avenue 79 Robinson Avenue 46 Morton Street 77 South Boulevard 152 Great Plains Road 29 Tatham Hill Road
- 51 Herrman Street 115 Nelson Street 64 Squire Drive 47 Warren Street 492 Morgan Road
- 330 Massachusetts Avenue 115 Nelson Street 79 Robinson Road
- 110 Quarry Road 21 Prospect Avenue 81 Brewster Road
- Condos 32 Hickory Hill 38 Colony Road 95 Park Avenue **Multi-families**
- 76-78 Fairview Avenue 22 West Street 35-37 Summit Street

Mobile Homes 54 Clayton Drive 9 John Drive 55 Clayton Drive

If you would like to add your home to this list, contact **Kim Landry 413-519-9719**



Opinion

Voices needed as boards become active

Beginning with the Agawam City Council meeting on Sept. 2 and moving on to the Agawam School Committee the following week, there is no shortage of issues that will be facing elected officials this fall.

The city council will soon be looking at two potential zone changes as well as considering a car use policy at its first meeting.

The school committee will possibly be anticipating a new school safety grant. Superintendent William Sapelli said he has many ideas on how to spend the money once he confirms receipt from state Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, R-Southwick.

The Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals will also be meeting regularly in September, as will the subcommittee of the city council.

While Agawam Advertiser News reporters plan to have their ears open and bring you all the news, we encourage you to be an active participant in your local government.

There is a lot of activity happening in Agawam and it's only going to be busier in the next few months. Like all towns, meetings of board and committees are open to the public and most of the meetings have an opportunity for public comment. That is your chance to have your voices heard and opinions noted for the record.

At public hearings, like the ones for zone changes on Rowley Street and Mill Street, the public can make comments during the discussions of these matters. While the Agawam Advertiser News is there to report what is happening, these meetings need your voice wherever it is appropriate.

Please don't be afraid to go and be heard. Don't be afraid to have your ideas put on the record and make yourself known to the people you elect.

This is the best way for your elected officials to know what you want, by being an active participant.

Pretty soon, one of the many things to come forward in front of the city council will be a borrowing authorization for nearly \$7 million to renovate the Agawam High School athletic facilities. Whichever side of the fence you may be on, 11 Agawam City Councilors will be voting on whether to spend Community Preservation Act funds and borrow the rest to fix the aging facilities.

Your voice is important before a big decision like that is made. So be active in your local government and be heard.

2014 Turley Election Policy

This newspaper will print free self-submitted statements of candidacy only four weeks or more out from the election. All candidates running in both contested and uncontested races are asked to submit their statements to the editor to include only biographical and campaign platform details. Total word count for statements is limited to between 300-500 words maximum. Please include a photo. We will not publish any statements of candidacy inside the four weeks from election threshold. To publish any other campaign publicity during the race, please contact our advertising representatives. We also do not allow personal attacks against other candidates or political parties in statements of candidacy, nor do we publish for free any information about key endorsements or political fundraisers.

Letters to the editor of no more than 250 words from supporters endorsing specific candidates or discussing campaign issues are limited to three total per author during the election season. No election letters will appear in the final edition before the election. We reserve the right to edit all statements of candidacy and letters to the editor to meet our guidelines.



Letters to the Editor

Community support an inspiration to local family

To the editor:

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the many people, including the Agawam Fire and Police Departments, the Agawam School Committee, the Agawam Public Schools, the Borgatti family and E.B's Restaurant, and the residents of our wonderful community, for all of their caring and thoughtfulness in response to our recent misfortune.

We will be forever grateful for the phone calls, cards, donations, and acts of kindness that we have received. We are fortunate to be surrounded by such professional and caring departments, families and individuals. Your support continues to be an inspiration to us on our road to recovery.

The Bachini Family Feeding Hills

Berwick deserves your vote

To the editor:

Don Berwick, Democratic candidate for governor, is a pediatrician and health care executive, successful in his career, a proven leader skilled at bringing people together.

Don is not a career politician. He has the courage to take on special interests and lobbyists and will move the state in a positive direction.

He is the most progressive candidate. Progressive means different things to people, but one definition from Merriam-Webster fits Don well, "a person who favors new or modern ideas, especially in politics and education." Don is the only candidate fully supporting single payer healthcare, similar to Medicare for all, because it will add jobs and return resources to our state budget, and opposing casinos, because they hurt small businesses, and destroy communities.

The "Issues" section of Don's website (www. berwickforgovernor.com) has clear positions based

on values, with specific plans. Don studies issues carefully, researching best practices, and his planning is comprehensive, data based, and involves all stakeholders.

Don's commitment as governor is to improve the quality of life for all residents of the Commonwealth. His goal is to make Massachusetts a beacon for the nation.

Please consider a vote for Don Berwick in the important primary of Sept. 9th.

Corinne M. Wingard Agawam

Agawam Library Summer Reading Program soars

To the editor:

The Agawam Public Library had one of the best ever Summer Reading Programs for children and teens this year. Partaking in the statewide theme of "Fizz Boom Read," children enjoyed a variety of science theme programs offered this summer.

The library is especially grateful to Six Flags New England for encouraging and rewarding children and teens who read for 14 days with a one day ticket for Six Flags New England. Also, we are thankful to the Friends of the Agawam Library for sponsoring the first Elementary School Reading Challenge, rewarding the elementary school with the most 14-day readers with a donation to their library. Robinson Park was the winner this year and the other schools will receive a smaller donation as well.

We are appreciative of our additional sponsors, including the Agawam Center Library Association, the Mass. Library System, the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners, and the Boston Bruins. We are truly grateful to all of our generous sponsors for encouraging so many children and teens to read this summer.

Cynthia Sutter Agawam Public Library

EASY WAYS TO REAGH US

PHONE 413.786.7747 Fax: 413.786.8457

EMAIL

Advertising Sales
John Baskin
jbaskin@turley.com

Office Manager Teri Machia aan@turley.com

Interim Editor Tim Kane tkane@turley.com

Subscriptions
Charlann Griswold
cgriswold@turley.com

\$35 per year pre-paid (\$40 out of state) Newsstand \$1.00

WEB www.agawamnewsonline.com

www.agawamnewsomme.com

 @ Agawam Advertiser News

The Agawam Advertiser News
is published by
Turley Publications, Inc. • www.turley.c



AGAWAM

The Agawam Advertiser News (USPS 001-170) is published every Thursday by Turley Publications, Inc., 24 Water St., Palmer, Mass. 01069. Telephone (413) 283-8393, Fax (413) 289-1977.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Turley Publications, Inc., 24 Water St., Palmer, Mass. 01069.

PATRICK H. TURLEY Publisher

KEITH TURLEY
Executive Vice President

DOUGLAS L. TURLEY Vice President of Publications

> INTERIM EDITOR Tim Kane

ADVERTISING SALES John Baskin

> SPORTS EDITOR Dave Forbes

SOCIAL MEDIA



@ Agawam Advertiser News

www.agawamnewsonline.com



www.turley.com

Turley Publications, Inc. cannot assume liability for the loss of photographs or other materials submitted for publication. Materials will not be returned except upon specific request when submitted.

Follow us on facebook.

www.facebook.com/AgawamAdvertiserNews

Letters to the Editor must include a name, address, and daytime telephone number for author verification purposes. We do not publish anonymous letters. All letters are subject to editing for content and space. The deadline is Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. Please send letters to *Agawam Advertiser News*, Letters to the Editor, Attn: Teri Machia, 23 Southwick St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030 or e-mail aan@turley.com.

Agawam Library to host artist reception

The Agawam Public Library will showcase the artwork of Alexandra Walters and her students for the month of September. Walters maintains the Serendipity Art Studio at the Indian Orchard Mills. Her students range in age from 8 to 80 with all levels of experience, from beginner to professional artists and fellow teachers.

Most of the work completed in groups classes is created with colored pencils, while students taking private lessons have learned to work in graphite pencils, charcoal, pen and ink, colored pencils, soft pastels, oil pastels, watercolor paints, watercolor pencils and acrylic paints.

There will be a reception with the students and Walters Wednesday, Sept. 3 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the library's Peirce Conference Room. The public is welcome. No sign-up is necessary.

AJWC to hold 'Sundaes for Shelter' fundraiser

AGAWAM - In conjunction with the Agawam Junior Women's Club (AJWC) annual membership drive, the club will be raising money for a local women's shelter.

The fundraiser, "Sundaes for Shelter," and the membership drive will be held Sunday, Sept. 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Ice Cream Shoppe in Feeding Hills. The fundraiser will benefit the Womanshelter/Compañeras in Holyoke. The shelter serves women and children throughout Western Massachusetts, with outreach focused in Holyoke, Chicopee, Ludlow, Springfield and West Springfield,

The Ice Cream Shoppe, located at 495 Springfield Street, will donate 10 percent of its sales during the two-hour pe-

WELCOMING NEW CUSTOMERS



Paradise Grooming Salon

Bring your Sweetheart in for a Summer Treat!

HEALTH, COMFORT AND BEAUTY. Sheila Piastka • Andrea Ayotte

(413) 786-3422

582 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA 01030

Weekly Newspaper **Editor Sought**

he Agawam Advertiser News, a weekly newspaper with an office in Feeding Hills, MA, is seeking a managing editor to handle day-to-day operations. The preferred candidate will possess strong management, organizational and people skills; editorial experience in news and feature reporting, including writing, editing, assigning, photography, and social media content; have the ability and willingness to represent the newspaper in the community through coverage of meetings/events and involvement in community activities.

This is an excellent opportunity for an experienced individual who enjoys community weekly journalism, meeting deadlines and organizing and managing correspondents.

The successful candidate must also possess a strong desire to network actively within the community and maintain close working relationships with colleagues and cultural, political, educational and municipal departments.

This is a job for a self-starter who has a vision for growing and connecting with our valued readers.

If this describes you, please send your resume to: Timothy D. Kane, Executive Editor, Turley Publications, Inc., 80 Main Street, Ware, MA 01082 or via email at tkane@turley.com



www.turlev.com

Turley Publications, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer

PEOPLE POLL

Question: What is your favorite thing about fall?



Kerry Norman Football





Jon Ashwell The smell of it



Jon Alicea Soccer season



Collin Fenton The fact that it isn't hot



Joe Douglas The weather



Sharon Missino - The cool weather Ken Guerin - Asters



August Williams - Jumping into leaf piles Travis Williams - The temperature and pump-

Historical and Firehouse Museum opens Sept. 7

The Agawam Historical and Firehouse Museum, located at 35 Elm St., will be open Sunday, Sept. 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. A new exhibit, "Riverside Park - A Century as the Playground of the Connecticut Valley" will be featured this year.

David Cecchi, local author, will be present to answer questions and share additional pieces of his collection of Riverside Park memorabilia. He will also be available to sign copies of his book on Riverside Park.

Heritage Woods to hold open house

Heritage Woods Senior Living, located at 462 Main St., Agawam, will hold an open house Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 5 to 7 p.m. All those attending the tour will be eligible to enter a raffle to win a free five-day respite stay at Heritage Woods for an elder loved one.

For more information, call 413-789-8332.





\$1.00 Off Each Battery with coupon Good for up to 5 watches

Batteries reg. \$5.75, in stock only & no lithium batt. (1 coupon per customer - good until 9/13/2014)



JEWELRY & WATCH REPAIR OPEN TUESDAY-SATURDAY In Business Since 1955 (Located Next to EB's Restaurant) 384 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam • (413) 786-3664

Better Access to Better Rates



30mo

1.35%

1.36% APY*

*APY means Annual Percentage Yield

Make unlimited deposits during the CD term up to \$240,000. GrowthCD rate may be increased once during the CD term to match NUVO Bank's current rate for new GrowthCD customers. GrowthCD customers must request this increase. Minimum balance of \$1,000 required to open. Minimum daily balance of \$1,000 required to earn APY. Rates are effective as of 08/25/2014. A penalty may be assessed for early withdrawal.

Start Small. Think Big.



NUVOBANK.COM 1500 Main Street Springfield, MA 413.787.2700 FDIC CDARS.

Judge denies defense in Croisetiere manslaughter case

MANSLAUGHTER, from page 1

Agawam. All three said Albertson was driving.

Albertson will answer to charges of negligent operation, driving with a suspended license and operating under the influence of alcohol, second offense. Through the investigation, Albertson was also charged with motor vehicle homicide while driving under the influence of liquor. The arraignment judge has revoked Albertson's license to operate a motor vehicle and ordered the defendant in the case not to drink alcohol or use drugs.

When the accident first occurred, police were only able to offer speed as being a factor due to tire marks measured at the scene of the accident.

The latest court hearing sought to throw out statements to police by Albertson because his attorney, Christopher Todd, argued he was drunk when he made the statements to the police and was also suffering from a concussion. As a result of the combination, Todd believes Albertson was unable to waive

his right to remain silent.

In his decision, McDonough stated Albertson had, in fact, waived his Miranda rights in a record statement. In that same statement, Albertson admitted to having "four or five beers," a couple shot of vodka and that he had smoked marijuana.

McDonough further stated that a concussion was only "possible" and that he had no clear evidence to find that Albertson was suffering from cognitive impairment when he spoke with police.

The penalty for being convicted of manslaughter by motor vehicle is a \$25,000 fine, a minimum of five years in jail or between 5 and 20 years in prison. Also according to Massachusetts laws, Albertson faces 15 year loss of license for the motor vehicle homicide charge. The second offense for the OUI carries a 60-day to 2 ½ year jail sentence as well as hefty fines.

The trial is set to begin Tuesday, Sept. 9. Albertson is currently being held on \$25,000 cash bail

D'Amato seeks zone change for Rowley Street

D'AMATO, from page 1

WMECO has approximately five acres of the parcel used for the structuring of primary power lines. The high-tension lines connect to other power lines throughout the town of Agawam to deliver service to customers.

Those five acres cannot be re-purposed, but D'Amato is hoping the Planning Board will recommend a zone change to the full Agawam City Council in order for her to build a two-family home.

"It is unlikely the remainder of the parcel will ever be used for agricultural purposes," D'Amato states. "The proximity of the land to the WMECO power lines creates a 'utility' visual that reduces the desirability of the property for single-family residential development. However, the factors which reduce the value of the land for single-family homes make it appropriate for the development of two-family starter homes.

In exchange for a positive ruling on the zone change, D'Amato wrote in her application she is willing to donate or sell at a re-

duced cost, two parcels of land to the town of Agawam or their designee for conservation land so the land can be preserved for conservation purposes.

If the land was donated, it could be conserved or converted into some type of recreation use.

The planning board was scheduled to open a public hearing on the parcel last Thursday night at their regular meeting, but the hearing was postponed by the planning board and continued to next month.

Because of the continuation of the public hearing, the full city council will not be able to hear the application at their Sept. 15 meeting, the current scheduled date of their public hearing. The hearing will likely be pushed back to the first or second meeting in October so the planning board has time to hear it and the legislative sub-committee of the city council can also hear it.

D'Amato needs eight votes from the 11-member city council in order to get the zone change passed.

New subcommittees have streamlined government, increased transparency

GOVERNMENT, from page 1

on a yearly basis including liquor, used car and amusement devices."

Instead of three members, Rossi has fivemember committee to work with. Only three need to be present at a meeting to make quorum, making it easier to get matter taken care of and recommended to the full council.

"On average, we meet about twice a month," said Rossi. "But if a particular item gets hot, like the sewers or we have a lot of licenses to renew at the end of the year, we will meet more often."

Rossi likes the role the Administrative Sub-Committee has the council. One of their functions is to ensure there is transparency in government.

"I am a real stickler for transparency," said Rossi. "I want to make sure that things are being done right and done well for the taxpayers."

Councilor James Cichetti said he is also very happy with how the council condensed their sub-committees.

Cichetti, a seven-year member of the council, is the chair of the Legislative Sub-Committee.

In 2012, the Legislative Sub-Committee absorbed the rules and regulations, ordinances, and zoning sub-committees.

"I think our sub-committee is doing a lot of great work," said Cichetti. "I especially like having the five members instead of three. I think it gives us a little more brainpower and it is more helpful to have had five councilors hear a subject when it goes in front of the full council.

"I think having a five-member committee

carries a great deal of weight," he said.

Cichetti's sub-committee must decide if various legislation must move forward and be passed by the full council. Ordinances, including zoning ordinances, normally require eight yes votes for passage.

To stay organized, the Legislative Sub-Committee has a standing meeting on the first Wednesday of every month to discuss full council agenda items. He says he meets more if necessary, but thinks the monthly meeting is a great way to stay active and on top of matters.

As an individual councilor, Cichetti says having just two sub-committee assignments makes it easier to manage time.

"I use to be on four different sub-committees," said Cichetti. "That can be a lot. There were other councilors who were on more." In addition to streamlining the work of the sub-committees, councilors also passed additional help by allowing the council president and vice president to be ex-officio members of all sub-committees. This means they can now sit in for sub-committee that have trouble on a particular day getting a quorum.

> PLEASE RECYCLE THIS PAPER

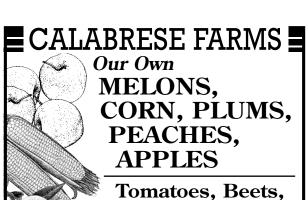












257 FEEDING HILLS RD., (RTE 57) SOUTHWICK, MA • (413) 569-6417

Squash, Beans,

Eggplant, Carrots

& Cabbage



*ACTING * VOICE * MOVEMENT & * DANCE AGES 8 - Adult

1226 SPRINGFIELD STREET FEEDING HILLS, MA "TAUGHT BY PROFESSIONAL NYC ACTORS"

413-539-4225 CALL TO REGISTER





VHERE IS IT?

Each week Agawam Advertiser News will feature a photo of a local building, item, sign, place or landmark and ask readers to pick their brains to figure out where it is or even what it is. Check here each week to test your knowledge of the area where we live and work. The photo will be from either Agawam or Feeding Hills, but we'll always give you a hint or two.

The answer to this week's "Where is it?" will run in next week's edition along with the name of the first person to submit a correct answer and a new trivia photo for you to consider.

E-mail answers or future Where Is It? suggestions to editor Jennifer Wroblewski at jwroblewski@turley.com.



This bell can be seen off of a main street in Agawam. Can you find it?



Last week's mystery photo depicted the stair to the Veterans Green gazebo at **Elementary Phelps** School. Readers answering correctly included Cindy Palazzi, Don Rheault, Lu Suprenant, Linda Dion, Marina Di Santi and **Cindy Weaver.**

Agawam Senior Center

Weekly calendar of events

Monday, Sept. 1: Senior Center Closed.

Tuesday, Sept. 2: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Class Registration for 2014-2015; SHINE Representative Available (by appt.); 9 a.m., Shuffleboard at St. John's; 12:30 p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie ("Yankee Doodle Dandy"); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance.

Wednesday, Sept. 3: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Class Registration for 2014-2015; 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Scrabble, Ballroom Lessons; 1:30 p.m., Golden Age Chapter 2 Meeting; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Thursday, Sept. 4: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Class Registration for 2014-2015; 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 6:30 p.m., Pitch.

Friday, Sept. 5: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Class Registration for 2014-2015; 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold; 7 p.m., ACC Millennium Chorus | free to the public.

Lunch menu

Monday, Sept. 1: Labor Day. Senior Center Closed.

Tuesday, Sept. 2: Chicken potpie, mixed vegetables, puff pastry, Caesar salad,

Wednesday, Sept. 3: Roast pork, apple and cranberry stuffing, peas and carrots, applesauce.

Thursday, Sept. 4: Tortellini soup, egg salad sandwich, lettuce and tomato, baked

Friday, Sept. 5: Baked fish, scalloped potatoes, spinach, pudding.

Notes from the Music Room

By Darcy Davis

The Memory Lane Chorus of the Agawam Senior Center is going to sing songs about "love" over the coming year. The group was formed in 1997 to sing "The Songs of World War II" and has spent each year singing songs with a special theme.

This year, the group may not make it to "A Thousand Love Songs," as one popular song suggests, but it will be a good number of them.

The public is invited come and join in on Tuesday afternoons at 2:30 p.m., after the movie, and spread a bit of it around with

The chorus doesn't sing parts; everyone sings the melody, or a little harmony if you can. Things won't really get start3ed until after The Big E and will really get going in October.

HANDFORD OIL: **Serving Western Massachusetts Expires 9/3/14** We accept VISA

The Outcome for Retirement = Income

Let me help you create a retirement income plan based on safety and reliability.

Have you coordinated your 401k distributions with your social security benefits? Contact me for an appointment to maximize your social security benefit and minimize your taxes.

Request a free income illustration today which will show you how much income your retirement assets will provide.

Over 16 years helping clients create retirement income.





Susan Allen Financial

Set up a confidential appointment 413-569-0035

sallen.allenfinancial@hotmail.com www.susanallenfinancial.com



Grimaldi & Burzdak **REALTORS**

grimaldiburzdak.net

Betty Grimaldi	789-0310	Lynn Landry	335-3045
Marie Von Hollander	374-7220	Jeff Klotz	564-9468
Vitaly Dzhenzherukha	250-2367	Lorraine Arsenault	596-6249
Jim Knight	281-5378	Eileen O'Sullivan	505-9244
Mike Vachula	231-2127	Lisa Pessolano	237-8455
Kathy Leal	896-0939	Maritza Smidy	519-2837
Edward Cross	530-9601	Joe Barbero	530-5454
Laura Jouhert	386-4674		

Office: (413) 789-0310 • Fax: (413) 789-0402 Email: bgagawam@aol.com

431 Springfield Street Agawam, MA 01001

II MLS



10% OFF

Overseeding

or Aerating

(new accounts only)

"We Treat Your Property As We Would Our Own"

 RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • CONDOMINIUMS

Jimmy Stellato - Owner

🍱 Fully Insured Fully Guaranteed 👄

- Lawn Maintenance
- Landscape Design & Installation
- Spring & Fall Clean-Ups
- Trimming & Pruning
- Sodding Seeding
 - Schedule Your **Fall Cleanup** Now!
- Mulch & Stone Installation
- Snowplowing & Sanding

Feeding Hills

789-6382

Public Safety ——FIRE Log

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 69 EMS calls and the following emergency response calls for the week from Aug. 19 to Aug. 25.

On Aug. 19 at 12:25 p.m., the department responded to Poplar Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On Aug. 19 at 6:13 p.m., the department responded to Main Street for gasoline or other flammable liquid spill.

On Aug. 19 at 10:59 p.m., the department responded to Cardinal Drive for public service assistance, other.

On Aug. 20 at 8:11 a.m., the department responded to North West Street for power line down.

On Aug. 20 at 1:38 p.m., the department responded to Gunn Geary Lane for alarm system sounded due to malfunction.

On Aug. 20 at 6:05 p.m., the department responded to Meadowbrook Manor for public service assistance, other.

On Aug. 21 at 4:32 a.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for alarm system activation, no fire – unintentional.

On Aug. 21 at 5:30 a.m., the department responded to Cooper Street to assist invalid.

On Aug. 21 at 4:58 p.m., the department responded to Route 5 South for good intent call, other.

On Aug. 23 at 10:24 p.m., the department responded to North Westfield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On Aug. 24 at 1:45 p.m., the department responded to Franklin Street for lockout.

On Aug. 24 at 5:11 p.m., the department responded to River Road for outside rubbish fire, other.

On Aug. 24 at 9:46 p.m. the department responded to Amherst Avenue for citizen complaint.

On Aug. 25 at 9:21 a.m., the department responded to Garden Street for false alarm or false call, other.

On Aug. 25 at 3:12 p.m., the department responded to Franklin Street for gas leak (natural gas or LPG).

On Aug. 25 at 6:36 p.m., the department responded to Fordham Avenue for smoke detector activation due to malfunction.

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 358 calls for service from Aug. 19 to Aug. 25. The department made 9 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Wednesday, Aug. 20

Jennifer L. Asta-Ferrero, 34, of 116 Mass. Ave., Ludlow, was arrested on charges of larceny over \$250 by a single scheme, larceny over \$250 from over 60/disabled, and possession of a Class E drug.

Thursday, Aug. 21

Christopher Hill, 22, of 5919 Fennell Ave., San Diego, Calif., was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Nicholas Anton, 21, of 22 South Florida Drive, Agawam, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

A juvenile from Feeding Hills was arrested on a warrant.

Shaun Anthony Erdely, 25, of 8 Paul Revere Drive, Agawam, was arrested on a charge of domestic assault and battery.

Friday, Aug. 22

Scott Preston, 30, of 5 Cudworth Road, Worthington, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and improper storage of a large capacity firearm.

Saturday, Aug. 23

Ciera Mari Wright, 24, of 356 Belmont Ave., Apt. 23, Springfield, was arrested on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle.

Caitlin E. Haley, 21, of 44 Winter St., Apt. 1, Franklin, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and assault and battery on a police officer.

Michael Haley, 53, of 5 Adrian St., Sommerville, was arrested on a charge of domestic assault and battery.

Sunday, Aug. 24

Dylan Robert Drake, 22, of 181 Springfield St., Agawam, was arrested on a charge of violation of an abuse prevention order.

DAVID A. LADIZKI, P.C. LAW OFFICES ◆ Real Estate Closings & Title Examinations **◆** Auto Accidents **◆** Bankruptcy ◆ Estate Planning & Elder Planning 413-786-9000 46 Suffield St., Agawam, MA

Captain Charles Leonard House



AGAWAM'S COMMUNITY HOUSE

FAMILY & BUSINESS **FUNCTIONS WELCOME**

Hall available - Reasonable rates

786-9421

CAPTAINLEONARDHOUSE.COM 663 MAIN STREET





\$5.00 Off New Customers

Bring this coupon for \$5.00 off your first groom by our professional staff.

Other services available: \$10 Off Newly Adopted \$5.00 Nail Clip Special *No copies. One coupon per family.

Dog Grooming

84 Maple St., Agawam, MA 01001 (Located behind the Buccaneer Lounge)

Please contact Silké at (413) 789-1865

FOR ALL YOUR MASONRY NEEDS



For an expert opinion and FREE estimate call

413.786.0020 Agawam, MA

> Licensed & Insured **Senior Discounts**

Locally owned and operated

Chimneys • Rebuilds • Repairs • Liners Concrete • Stairs • Walkways • Patios **Basement Waterproofing • Hatchways** Foundations • Basement Windows Retaining Walls • Stonework

Residential & Commercial

Over 25 Years Experience

S50 OFF **ANY MASONRY WORK**

Must present coupon at time of service.
One coupon per customer. Expires 12/31/14.

ESCAPE TO THE COAST OF MAINE

Cozy one bedroom waterfront cottage overlooking Five Islands Harbor in Georgetown, Maine.

• Walk to town wharf for lobster and ice cream

• Reid State Park's beautiful beaches are a short

• Prime summer weeks available





SWEARING-IN CEREMONY



Turley Publications courtesy photo

A swearing-in ceremony was held Aug. 20 at Agawam Town Hall for Officer Armand Dubuc, Officer Steven Hopkins and Officer Reymond Benitez-Otero. From left - Lt. Edward McGovern, Police Chief Eric Gillis, Mayor Richard A. Cohen, Dubuc, Hopkins, Benitez-Otero, and **Town Clerk Richard Theroux.**

'BINGO FOR BOOKS'



The GFWC Agawam Junior Women's Club sponsored "Bingo for Books" in June at the Agawam Public Library. Students in elementary school played Bingo and won books and every child that participated was awarded at least one book. Above, club members Linda Marino (left) and Mary O'Connell (center), check in CeCe Baldyga, granddaughter of Mary Cincotta, right.



Agawam/Feeding Hills Office 345 N. Westfield Street,

Feeding Hills, MA 413.789.9830

Westfield Office 44 Elm Street, Westfield, MA 413.568.9226

Ask about our 60 Day Guaranteed Sale Program

Successfully serving Agawam/Feeding Hills *since* 1987



parksquarerealty.com

Follow us on facebook.

www.facebook.com/AgawamAdvertiserNews



NEW!

Tickets \$18

Also NEW Birthday Parties can be held at Princess Tea

or Super Hero Party at Discounted Rates



\$20 ticket includes appetizers galore

Friday, Oct. 3 Starts at 6pm

Beer Stein Holding Contest Prizes awarded for participation. Tickets limited. Sponsored by Sam Adams.

Women's Luncheons \$20 each includes lunch

Tickets Buy 1 Get 1 Half Off

(Now through Sept. 6th - Any Luncheon)

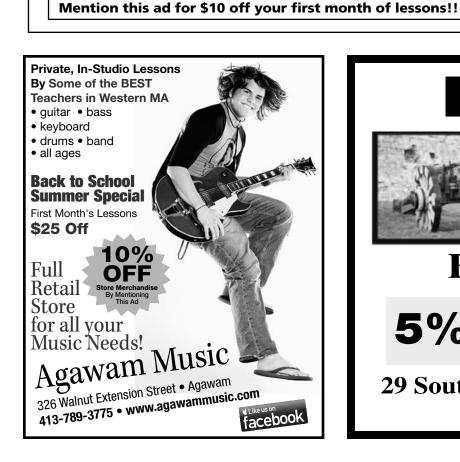
Sunday, Oct. 5

Arm Her Safety Tips & Tools Presenter Deb Halpin

Sunday, Nov. 2

Cooking with Herbs in the 1800s Presenter Christine Higginbottom (worked at Old Sturbridge Village for 20 years in kitchen gardeing.)







Buy / Sell Quality Firearms

5% OFF WITH THIS AD

29 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills (next to On the Hill) 413-789-7466

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



Turley Publications courtesy photo

The Agawam High School Summer Graduation Ceremony for the Class of 2014 was held Wednesday, Aug. 20. Among those in attendance to congratulate the graduates were Mayor Richard A. Cohen, Agawam School Committee members, State Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, State Sen. Donald Humason, Superintendent of Schools William Sapelli, AHS Principal Steven Lemanski, and. Alan Cohen, Summer School and Adult Education Director.

Humason seeks legislative interns

State Sen. Don Humason, Jr., R-Westfield, is seeking people to participate in internships in both his State House and District offices for the fall semester.

"The ideal intern candidate is usually a college student who would receive school credit for a structured internship experience," Humason said. "But if somebody is interested in state government and public service, I would welcome their application. The positions are available immediately, and I invite anyone interested to apply by contacting my District Office at 568-1366 or emailing me at."

Preference will be given to individuals from Humason's district, the 2nd Hampden and Hampshire District, which includes the communities of Agawam, Southwick, Granville,

Tolland, Russell, Montgomery, Southampton, Easthampton, Holyoke, Chicopee (7, 8A, 9A), and Westfield.

"There's a lot of activity in both my offices," Humason said. "I'm looking for someone to help with the day-to-day operation in Boston and my local office."

According to Humason, the internship will include legislative work, issue research, and constituent outreach and problem solving. The position is unpaid and non-partisan. A resume, references, or writing sample may be required.

Those interested may contact Humason or his legislative aide, Andrew Renfro, at his Westfield District Office, 64 Noble St., (413) 568-1366.

Boldyga, Humason announce Cultural **Council grants**

BOSTON - State Rep. Nicholas A. Boldyga, R-Southwick, and State Sen. Donald Humason, R-Westfield, announced last week that the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC) has awarded grants totaling \$19,050 to cultural organizations, schools, and communities in their district. These grants support a wide variety of cultural activities and projects that benefit local residents, while supporting jobs in the nonprofit cultural sector. This program is part of the MCC's statewide funding program, which was boosted by a one million dollar increase in their budget approved by the legislature and signed by the governor in July.

The grants provide funding to local cultural councils, which support local arts and history, school field trips, and sponsor local concerts and exhibitions. The Agawam Cultural Council received a grant of \$10,450, the Granville Cultural Council and the Southwick Cultural Council both received grants of \$4,300.

Massachusetts Cultural Council's 329 Local Cultural Councils (LCCs) make up the most extensive public cultural funding network in the nation. They provide funding to every Massachusetts city and town through the work of more than 2,300 volunteers. Grants to local councils are given based on a formula that reflects the state's local aid system ranging from \$4,300 for the smallest towns to over \$100,000 for the largest cities.

Park & Rec brochure online

The Agawam Park & Recreation Fall Brochure is now available online at www.agawam.ma.us.



 Garages • General Carpentry • Excavating • Site Prep **New Home Construction**

COMPLETE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Fully Insured • FREE Estimates

413-569-3472 • 860-338-9511 www.busheeenterprises.com





Smart girls fake it!









Love of boating turns Agawam resident into antique aficionado

BOATING, from page 1

The Agawam resident also owns several vintage boats, including an antique sailboat he is restoring.

He's also currently the only Agawam resident who is an active member of a regional boat club "dedicated to the preservation, promotion and enjoyment of antique boating." The club, Bay State Woodies (BSW), is one of 55 chapters in the U.S. and Canada that are affiliated with the Antique and Classic Boat Society.

BSW is a nonprofit group that, similar to many antique car clubs, raises money for community causes through some of its events. One of BSW's recent events was its 26th Annual Antique and Classic Boat Show at the Oxbow Marina in Northampton in early August.

An award-winning replica

Hager and his wife Carol entered one of their antique boats, a cream-colored 1959 MFG Union, a replica of a 1955 Lyman runabout, in the show. It won two awards, including most original.

Hager's boat, which he bought two years ago, is unique since it's one of the first MFG fiberglass boats. The hull was produced from a mold of a traditional wood Lyman runabout that features a classic lapstrake (overlapping planks) design.

"The hull is completely fiberglass, but the seats and deck are all wood," he said. "It looks like a wood boat, but there isn't the maintenance required of a traditional wood boat."



Agawam residents Bob and Carol Hager in the cockpit of their antique boat – a 1959 MFG Union. The cream-colored MFG is a fiberglass replica of a classic 1955 Lyman runabout.

According to Hager, Molded Fiber Glass (MFG) began producing fiberglass boat hulls in the mid-1950s. MFG created a boat division as another product line to complement its main source of work: Producing fiberglass body components for the early Chevrolet Corvettes.

Hager said MFG never intended to make its own boats. Its goal was to just make hulls for existing boat companies, such as Lyman boats

"MFG originally approached Lyman with a proposal to build fiberglass hulls, but the proposal was rejected," he said. "So MFG decided to use the molds it made of the Lyman hull to create its own line of boats."

Hager, who grew up in Springfield, said he got hooked on boats and boating when he was only five. His father had a cabin cruiser docked on the Connecticut River in Agawam at the Springfield Yacht Club, near the South End Bridge.

A passion for keels and wheels

Like most kids his age, Hager could name every car on the road, but unlike most kids he could do the same with boats.

"When I was 7 or 8, I could identify every boat on the water by make, model, and year," he said.

Hager added that many people who enjoy antique cars frequently enjoy antique boats and vice versa. That pretty much describes Hager. He got involved in collecting and restoring antique cars in 1971 when he bought and restored a 1939 Ford convertible. In 1987, he bought his first antique boat – a 1959 Chris-Craft Sportsman runabout.

"That's when I heard about antique boat shows," he said. "I entered one and took third place."

His twin passions for antique cars and antique boats led him to joining BSW as well as the Agawam-based Crankers Antique Car Club – where he served five years as its president.

"What I enjoy about both organizations is the friendliness of the members and their willingness to help each other out," said Hager.

He added that he likes his fiberglass boat because restoring and maintaining wood boats can be a bit more challenging.

"One of the major differences between antique cars and antique boats is the amount of upkeep required for a wood boat," he said. "It has to be varnished or repainted almost every year. There's a lot more work every year with the wood on a boat compare to the metal on a car."



Bob and Carol Hager talk with Jeff Cramton (r.), president of Bay State Woodies, while looking at photos of the club's annual first-of-the-season event, "Shades of Yesteryear." Held at Saunders Marina in Southwick, it raises money for the Shriner's Hospital in Springfield.



Turley Publications photos by Mike Lydick

Bob Hager at age 11 poses with his first boat – an Old Town dinghy. This photo was taken in 1957 in Niantic, Conn.

Boating more than just a hobby

Hager's enthusiasm for boats also extends to helping people enjoy boating safely. He's been a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary for the past 28 years. Hager and his wife – also a CGA member – visit marinas and boat stores to distribute safety information and examine boats for safety.

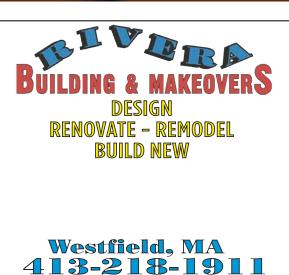
The Hagers also belong to several local social boat clubs that function as places to moor boats and gather for activities. Hager also enjoys the camaraderie of two Melha Shriners units for individuals with special

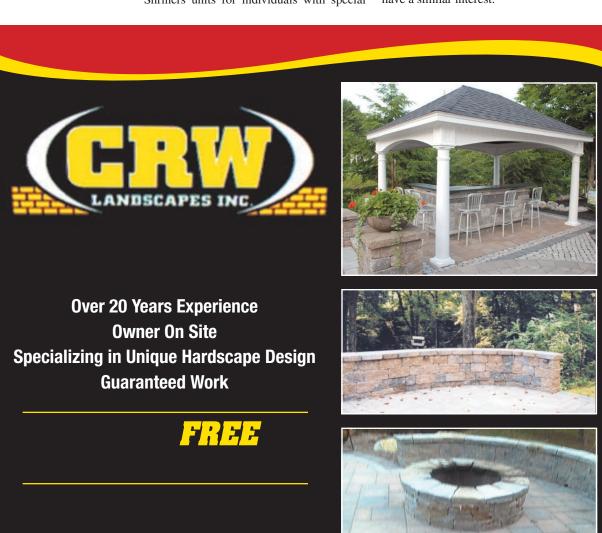
interests.

The Shriners also figure prominently in one of the BSW events.

"Our first show of the season, and one of the most popular events, raises money for the Springfield Shriners Hospital," he said. "It's called Shades of Yesteryear, held the first Saturday in May at Saunders Marina on the Congamond Lakes in Southwick. I'm a Melha Mariner and I belong to the Melha Vintage Autos. It's another way for me to share both my hobbies with people who also have a similar interest."







DANCERS TAKE TOP SPOT



Turley Publications courtesy photo

Dancers from The Academy of Artistic Performance, located in Feeding Hills, were named National Pre-Teen Champions at a competition held recently at the University of Notre Dame. Back row (from left) – S. Cassell, M. Dion and A. Bennour. Front row (from left) – J. Cavallon, E. Seng, C. Liquori and H. Mereschuk.

ACC welcomes new members

The Agawam Cultural Council (AAC) will meet Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., Agawam. The meeting is open to the public.

A great opportunity exists with the ACC for anyone with an interest in providing diverse cultural events for the town. This all-volunteer organization, appointed by the

mayor and funded, in part, by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, is looking for new members.

The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and sciences to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.

United Methodist's first Peace Day a huge success



Turley Publications courtesy photo

Agawam United Methodist Church hosted its first Peace Day event recently to honor Mattie J.T. Stepanek, poet, peacemaker and philosopher.

Approximately 30 children and youth and a near equal number of adult volunteers joined together at the Agawam United Methodist Church (AUMC) Friday, Aug. 15 to celebrate and honor young Mattie J. T. Stepanek, peacemaker and poet, as part of their first Peace Day event.

Children as young as 6 years-old as well as middle and high school students spent the day exploring ways to find peace in themselves and create peace within their families and communities, with the hope of becoming the peacemakers of tomorrow.

During his short lifetime, young Mattie J. T. Stepanek not only won the hearts of celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey, former President Jimmy Carter and Larry King, but also inspired thousands of people around the world through his poetry and message of peace.

Participants in the Peace Day event at AUMC enjoyed games, Zumba!, projects, discussions, and a wide variety of activities designed to instill peaceful attitudes. Donations offered by the Peace Day participants were made to the Mattie J.T. Stepanek Foundation.

Plans are in the making for an ecumenical worship service to be held Sunday, Sept. 21 at the church at 459 Mill St. in Feeding Hills, a date that has been established by the United Nations as an international Peace Day, a day of global ceasefire and non-violence. The public is welcome to attend.

More information may be found at www.mattieonline.com. Photos of the Peace Day event have been posted at www.agawamworship.org.

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

On September 9, you can do something about crime in Hampden County.

Vottero has an unrivaled prosecutorial track record in this race.

&

VOTE SEPTEMBER 9 brettvottero.com







#brettvotteroforda #experiencematters #hampdenda





WILLS•TRUSTS•PROBATE•MASSHEALTH•SOCIAL SECURITY
Phone No. (413) 746-9022

: eileen@exclegal.com

171 Park Ave., Suite 101, West Springfield, MA 01089





NOTICE

ERRORS: Each advertiser is requested to check their advertisement the first time it appears. This paper will not be responsible for more than one corrected insertion, nor will be liable for any error in an advertisement to a greater extent than the cost of the space occupied by the item in the advertisement.





bankesb.com | 413.527.4111



Member FDIC Member DIF

Hearing Test Set for Senior Citizens

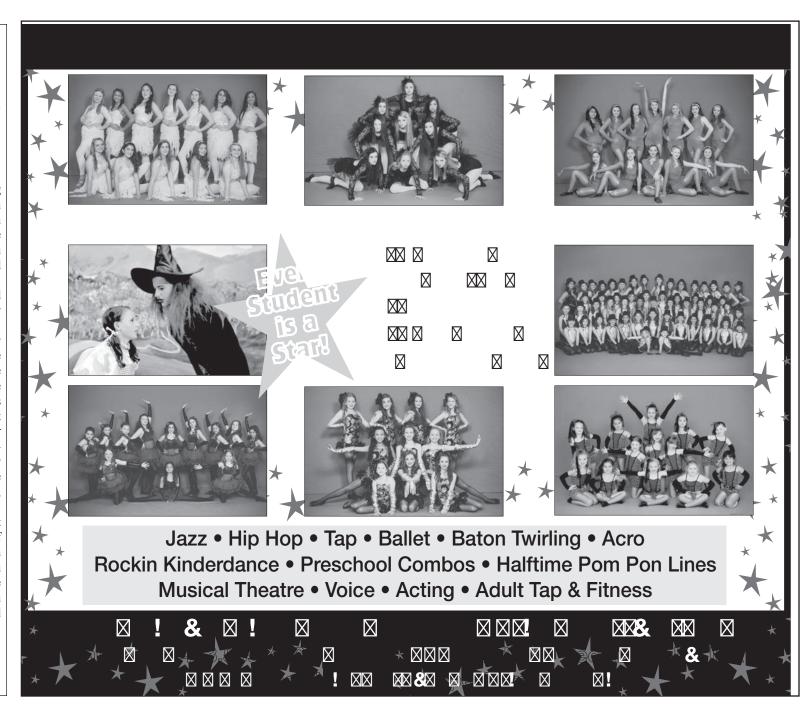
Announcement-

Free electronic hearing tests will be given from Monday-Friday 9am – 5pm at Avada Hearing Care Centers at 9 locations in Western Mass. Call to find the location nearest to you. The test has been arranged for anyone who suspects they are not hearing clearly. People who usually say they can hear but have trouble with understanding words are encouraged to come in for the tests. The testing includes newly-developed tests that determine your ability to hear speech in noisy environments. Everyone, especially those over 55 who have trouble hearing words clearly, should have a test annually. Demonstrations of the latest devices to improve clarity of speech will be available, on the spot, after the tests. You can HEAR for yourself if the latest methods of correction will help you understand words better.

Call for your Appointment

1-888-798-8528

©2012 HHM, Inc. 304



SummerFest 2014 ends with southern twang

AGAWAM - SummerFest 2014 came to a close Aug. 13 in the Agawam High School as the Park and Recreation Department, Agawam Cultural Council (ACC) and its partners worked to sponsor a country music

Made up of three 45-minute sets, the conclusion to the annual free concert series featured the viral Maddie & Tae, Leah Turner and John King, who played until 9:30 p.m. while closing out the festival.

Foreboding weather earlier that morning and showers before that moved the final concert to its back-up venue at the high school where Maddie Marlow and Taylor Dye opened the show.

Brought in by KIX 100.9 as a special third guest after appearing on the Today Show earlier that week, the two sang their viral song "Girl in a Country Song," a satirical lampooning of male fantasies commonly found in popular Country music.

Following them was the LA-turned-Nashville singer Leah Turner and her band, singing from her latest EP, including "Beat Up Bronco" as well as her debut single, "Take the Keys."

Closing off the three acts was John King, a Georgia-based singer who brought the audience out from their seats to the front of the stage as wrapped up another summer season of concerts.

"Y'all are just the nicest folks," he shout-

After Turner and Maddie & Tae shouting "Thank you West Springfield," King righted the ship by learning how to pronounce Agawam with the help of the crowd. He also continued to spotlight members of the audience throughout his act, eventually finding Chicopee-native Leanne Zemrock who was celebrating her 27th birthday.

King then had her join him on stage where they led the auditorium in singing "Happy Birthday" to the attendee.

"It was a little embarrassing but it was cool since it's something a lot of girls fantasize about, celebrities singing Happy Birthday to them," she said.

With concert-goers lining up for autographs and photos with the singers after the show in the AHS hallway, ACC volunteer and organizer Doug Reed called the crowd a welcomed sight in spite of the weather putting the final concert indoors.

"People enjoyed it," he said. "I think it was fantastic and KIX surprised us last week by adding Maddie & Tae. It's nice to have a radio station that is willing to support up and coming musicians."

Sponsors of the free 2014 concert series included: Agawam Advertiser/Turley Publications, Agawam Cultural Council, Agawam Lions Club, Agawam Parks & Recreation, Agawam Rotary Club, Allied Flooring & Paint, Berkshire Power, Bolduc's Apparel, Canary Blomstrom Insurance Agency, Easthampton Savings Bank, FC Stars of Massachusetts, Hampden Bank, Holyoke Credit Union, King Ward Coach Lines, Lucia Lumber, Main Street Deli, Moren Signs, Olympic Manufacturing Group, Quality Auto, Reminder Publications, Republic Services, Sarat Ford, Ski Blanford, Westfield Bank, and WMAS 94.7.

See our Facebook page to view more Summerfest photos at: www.facebook.com/ AgawamAdvertiserNews





Guitarist Ben Jordan performs with Leah Turner digs deep to hit the high notes.



Members of the Agawam community and country music fans clearly enjoyed the show.

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT



Proud to be Agawam's full-time State Representative!



Paid for by Boldyga Committee

 $\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star\star$



Maddie & Tae, the teenage duo known for the viral "Girl in a Country Song" video, were the show's opening act, playing a full set including their popular YouTube



'Interacting with the crowd the most, King (I) picked out Chicopee local Leanne Zemrock (r) who was celebrating her 27th birthday. King proceeded to lead the crowd in singing "Happy Birthday" while having her on stage.



The band later invited the rest of the concert-goers to come down before the stage and dance as they played their last songs of the night.





Leah Turner and her band made up the middle of the concert, singing the bulk of her catalogue including "Beat Up Bronco" from her latest EP.

•ABSOLUTE Vodkα \$18.99 •GREY GOOSE Vodka \$28.99 •HENNESSY\$32.99

•JOHNNIE WALKER GOLD \$75.99 •JOHNNIE WALKER PLATINUM \$83.99 •JOHNNIE WALKER BLUE \$199.99

OHENNESSY VSOP



-24.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$84.00/12 = \$7.00 net bottle cost

KIM CRAWFORD Sauvignon Blanc \$140.00 / CASE of 12 -30.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$110.00/12 = \$9.16 net bottle cost

NOBILO

Sauvignon Blanc 750ml. \$108.00 / CASE of 12 -30.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$78.00/12 = \$6.50 net bottle cost

•**REX GOLIATH** All Types 750ml. \$48.00 / CASE of 12 -18.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$30.00/12 = \$2.50 net bottle cost

ROBERT MONDAYI Cab 750ml. \$90.00 / CASE of 12 -24.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$66.00/12 = \$5.50 net bottle cost

-24.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$84.00/12 = \$7.00 net bottle cost ●**WOODBRIDGE** All Types 1.5ml.

\$60.00 / Case of 6 -12.00 Mail-In-Rebate \$48.00/6 = \$8.00 net bottle cost

HURRY!! All rebates END 8/31/14



& WHITE ZINFANDEL ... 1.5ml. \$8.99 CIELO PINOT GRIGIO ... 1.5ml, \$9.99 •FLIP FLOP All Types 1.5ml. \$8.99 •FRONTERA All Types ... 1.5ml. \$7.99 •RELAX RIESLING 1.5ml. \$14.99 •REX GOLIATH AllTypes ... 1.5ml.\$7.99 YELLOW TAIL AllTypes ... 1.5ml.\$9.99

BAREFOOT AllTypes 1.5ml. \$9.99

BERINGER PINOT GRIGIO

•ALMADEN All Types 5-Ltr. \$14.99 •BLACK BOX All Types\$16.99

•CARLO ROSSI All Types 5-Ltr. \$13.99 •FISH EYE All Types \$13.99 •FRANZIA 5-Ltr. -Chillable Red -Blush - Crisp White - Sangria \$12.99 •FRANZIA 5-Ltr. -Merlot -Rhine -Chardonnay -Cabernet \$14.99 •JACK TONE Red&Wht. 3-Ltr. \$16.99

•NAKED GRAPE All Types 3-Ltr. \$16.99 PETER VELLA -Cabernet -Chardonnay -Merlot 5-Ltr. \$14.99

BEEFEATER GIN.. BOMBAY SAPHIRE GIN...... \$35.99 TANQUERAY GIN \$29.99 ABSOLUT VODKA \$27.99 FINLANDIA VODKA \$24.99 GREY GOOSE VODKA \$49.99 KETEL ONE VODKA \$35.99 SKYY VODKA \$19.99 **SMIRNOFF VODKA \$19.99 SMIRNOFF FLAVORS \$19.99** STOLI VODKA \$27.99 **SVEDKA VODKA \$18.99** TITO'S VODKA \$25.99 CAPTAIN MORGAN RUM \$27.99 CUERVO GOLD TEQUILA \$29.99 **SOUTHERN COMFORT \$26.99** CANADIAN MIST \$17.99 **DEWARS SCOTCH \$29.99 EVAN WILLIAMS \$19.99** GENTLEMAN JACK WHISKEY \$49.99 **GRAND MARNIER \$57.99** HENNESSY \$59.99 JACK DANIELS \$37.99 **JACK DANIELS HONEY \$37.99** JAMESON \$37.99 JOHNNIE WALKER BLACK \$60.99 MAKERS MARK \$43.99 **SEAGRAMS 7 \$19.99** SEAGRAMS V.O. \$21.99 WOODFORD RESERVE \$55.99

413 732-3267

OPEN SUNDAY 12n-5p

NOTE: Liquor prices are on 1.75 Liters unless noted otherwise.

726 Main Street - West Springfield MA



www.turleysports.com

facebook.com/turleysports



Benjamin takes reigns as football coach

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Coaching the Agawam High School football team is a dream come true for John Benjamin.

Three years ago, when Rick Jewell was given the varsity coaching job, Benjamin was a finalist for the position. When Jewell left the team to coach in Holyoke, Benjamin jumped at the chance to get the job.

Benjamin spent the last two years as the freshmen coach. He has an extensive coaching resume, including assisting at Agawam High School, Western New England University, and at the Agawam Youth Football program.

He is also a 1990 graduate of Agawam High School and says while he has always wanted to be a high school head coach, Agawam was where he wanted to be.

"This is where I am from and where I work," said Benjamin. "This is what I have always wanted."

Benjamin says Agawam has the ability to continue to be successful even with the changeover in the coaching staff. He is bringing with him a group of coaches with a lot of experience as well as a lot

of talen

Dean Vecchiarelli, a former head coach at Agawam, will be serving as the defensive coordinator this year. Benjamin's brother Chris will spend time doing strength and conditioning and work with members of the defensive line.

Bruce Bussiere, who worked under Jewell the past few years, will be the special teams coach.

Benjamin also announced Dan Pryce, a member of the faculty and track coach at the high school, is now the new freshmen football coach.

Benjamin has a goal of continuing to make Agawam's program successful and says he plans to run his own style of offense and defense.

"Everyone has their own way of doing things," said Benjamin. "I will be getting these guys used to our offensive strategies. Everyone is going to know their assignments."

He says he likes to run the ball more often and use the run to specifically set up passing plays.

"I don't like to pass the ball just to say we can do passing plays," said Benjamin. "It has to have a purpose."

Benjamin comes to the Brownies with a lot of experience knowing the players on this year's team.

"I coached the seniors at the

youth level a few years ago," said Benjamin. "Then as the freshman coach the last two years, I have coached the sophomores and juniors. It should make the transition really easy for all of them. We are going to hit the ground running this season."

Benjamin played football for Agawam High School and is now a mathematics teacher at Agawam Junior High School. His brother Chris, and mother are also teachers in the Agawam school system.

Gregory A. Scibelli is a sports correspondent for Turley Publications. He can be reached at gscibelli@turley.com.

Jewelry may not be on course in Agawam

NFHS lifts prohibition, but school considering action

> By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Though a rule has been repealed by the National Federation of High School, athletic directors could decide not to follow suit.

During the summer, the NFHS approved lifting the prohibition of jewelry for high school track and field. The move was made to give officials less to focus on while presiding over the numerous contests at a track meet.

In Agawam, Athletics Director David Stratton said he disagreed with the concept of allowing jewelry to be worn in any sport.

Stratton is in a good position to make that opinion, as he was a trainer before begin the athletic director and serves as a backup to the training staff by keeping his certification current.

He believes jewelry should not be worn during practices or games and says he may even pursue passing a policy that does not allow jewelry in Agawam for track and field

"I certainly understand why they (the NFHS) lifted the ban on jewelry," said Stratton. "That said, I don't think it is a very good idea to allow it."

According to Becky Oakes, the NFHS director of sports and liaison to the Track and Field Rules Committee, the committee determined that prohibiting jewelry in high school track and field and cross country is not necessary.

"The wearing of jewelry presents little risk of injury to either the competitor or opponents,"

Please see JEWELRY, page 21

Teamwork pays off at Ripken for Hitmen





Turley Publications submitted photo

The JR Sweeping Hitmen had a great time at The Ripken Experience as they went 5-0 in tournament play.

Special to the Advertiser
AGAWAM - The JR Sweeping
Hitmen just completed a successful second season together with a
trip to The Ripken Experience in
Myrtle Beach, S.C. Over the last
two seasons they have compiled
a 39-8-2 record in tournaments
and in the JLS Sandlot League.
What was supposed to be one

year together and then play for their town's Legion teams turned into more.

Head coach Bill Sabadosa explained how the team began.

"We started with five families from past teams," Sabadsoa said. "We don't have tryouts, you are simply referred to us by a player or parent on the team. Before they joined, I explain how I do things, which is pretty simple. We have equal playing time, with players moving around both offensively and defensively, and there is no calling people out for mistakes. Mistakes will be made by both coaches and players. How we react, overcome, and learn from them is what mat-

ters. I consider this an advanced instructional team, where the players are trying to get better for their high school teams. It is a slightly different philosophy than let's say a high school or legion team, which need to be more results oriented but it works for us.

Their team first philosophy
Please see HITMEN, page 20

GETTING READY FOR THE SEASON





Turley Publications photos by Gregory A. Scibelli

AGAWAM - The Agawam High School boys soccer team practices last week behind Agawam High School. The teams are still being decided as of early this week with both teams practicing together.



AGAWAM - The girls soccer team participates in scrimmage-style practices last Friday afternoon at Agawam High School. Agawam girls soccer is looking for a return trip to the tournament.





Bus trip to Fenway

SPRINGFIELD/PALMER - The Melha Shriners are sponsoring a bus trip to Fenway Park to see the Boston Red Sox take on the Toronto Blue Jays at 7:10 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 5.

The cost is \$120 per person and gives you a seat in Section 24, which is located between home plate and

The bus leaves at 4 p.m. from the Melha Shrine Center, 133 Longhill St., Springfield, or at 4:30 p.m. from Big Y in Palmer.

A bag lunch and beverages will be included.

For more information, contact Vince at 413-686-



www.springfieldturnverein.com



GODEK DUO PLACES SECOND





Turley Publications submitted photos

WELLESLEY - Dean and Alia Godek, 13, of Feeding Hills, played in their first MGA golf tournament on Thursday, Aug. 14. They finished second in the State Father/Daughter forward division, shooting an 83 alternate shot format, missing the lead by one stroke. The tourney was held at Wellesley Country Club.

HITMEN, from page 18

was never more evident than in the beginning of August when the team traveled to the Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach, for the Hang 10 tournament. The event was a 16U tournament (the team is 15U) made up mostly by tournament travel teams. Many of these teams travel week to week playing tournaments only. They carry larger roster with specialized players (pitchers only) to stand the rigors of playing 5-6 games on a weekend.

Being more of a league team than a tournament team the Hitmen looked to save arms by keeping an eye on pitch counts. "We really had to keep an eye on our arms to make it through the tournament," said Sabadosa, adding "We threw 3-5 different players per game using a next man up process."

Day 1 Game 1, JR Sweeping faced off against Team Pride Select from Connecticut. The Hitmen got a great pitching performance from starter Johnny Camerota of Belchertown. The play of the game was turned in by Mike Pasini of Scituate (who joined the team for this tournament), who with the bases loaded in a 4-1 game made a running catch at the wall for the third out of the inning. Knuckleballer Jack Kamins pitched well in relief and led the offense going 2-for-2 with two RBIs. Kamins was named player of the game honors. The team

voted each game on who helped the team the most. The Hitmen won 4-1

Day 1, Game 2 vs. Bradford Drillers of Pennsylvania. The two teams were evenly matched, playing very similar styles. Bryan Perlak of Belchertown gave the Hitmen his strongest pitching performance of the year keeping the Drillers off the board until the fourth Austin Sabadosa came into the game with bases loaded and no outs to get the team out of a jam giving up just one run. Bryan Perlak received player of the game honors. Hitmen won 5-2.

Day 2, Game 3 vs. Long Island Hawks. This was not a pretty game to watch, with seven errors between the two teams but the Hitmen outslugged the Hawks 10-2 in hits. Jeff

Excludes

Kiddie

Cones

Expires

11/1/14







The Hitmen are: from Agawam Mike Basile, Matt Gingras, Austin Jones, Joe Moccio, Austin Sabadosa, from Belchertown, Johnny Camerota, Jackson Dziel, Jonathan Ingram, Jack Kamins, Bryan Perlak, Nate Ayala (Springfield), Josh Pasini and Jeff Peach (Enfield), Trevor Blachburn (Palmer) and Mike Pasini (Scituate).

Peach of Enfield pitched middle relief to stifle the Hawks offense. Player of the game was Austin Jones who had an inside-the-park home run. Hitmen won 8-5.

Day 2, Game 4 vs. Millville Lightening (Mike Trout's former team). Millville had given up just one run in the tournament so far and looked like the team to beat in this bracket. The Hitmen used four pitchers in this game, mixing junk ballers and hard throwers to keep the Lightening off balance. Thus far in the tournament, the Hitmen had outslugged opponents, which isn't their style. For this game they went back to their small-ball style, scrapping runs together and shutting down the Lightening. Jackson Dziel of Belchertown helped pace the offense with a couple of key RBI hits. Player of the game honors went to Josh Pasini of Enfield for a strong performance on the mound and at the plate. Hitmen won 5-1.

Day 3, Game 5 vs. The Arlington Bandits of Virginia. Mike Basile of Agawam took the ball in this game. He was the only pitcher not used so far in the tournament and the team was going to ride him as long as possible. Basile made it to the fourth inning before getting lifted with a 7-3 lead. The game got away from the Hitmen who took their foot off the gas. The Bandits had the bases loaded with two outs in the top of the seventh, but reliever Nate Ayala of Springfield got the team out of the jam with a pair of strike outs and a fly out to center. Basile was the player of the game. Hitmen won 8-7.

The team finished pool play with a 5-0 record and a number one seed. When single elimination bracket play began JR Sweeping would face the Babylon Pride of NY. Unfortunately for the Hitmen, they ran out of gas and into a team that was red hot. They lost to the Pride 9-0 and were eliminated from further play.

We had a great run in a very high level event. Every single guy contributed something to our success! When this squad plays loose, they are tough to beat. They make fun of each other and the coaches and it just seems to work. Jokes fly throughout the games on the field or from the dugout. Not too much fazes them when they are like that because they just have this belief in each other and themselves. After game 2 an umpire walked up to us and said you guys are going to do well here and we were like why? He said because you're having fun.

Coach Sabadosa was especially proud his two catchers Jonathan Ingram and Austin Sabadosa. Those two guys really pushed themselves. As a catcher you are not allowed to make mistakes. Passed balls and runners successfully stealing are on you, even though you may have no control of the situation. You touch every pitch and have more throws than anyone on the field. Couple that with the heat coming off of the turf field, the work they did was not overlooked or underrated by their coaches. In addition to catching, Ingram patrolled CF and played some first, while Sabadosa pitched and played third in order to "rest". Ingram was given player of the tournament by the team.

We spend a lot of time together because we want to not because we have to. These guys group text and go on social media talking about the team and the common word is family when they talk about each other. Not bad for a group of kids from different towns, who's only bond two seasons ago was they wanted to play baseball.

Players, parents, and coaches would like to thank Jim Ricco of JR Sweeping for his continued support of the team, the Dante Club racquetball crew, Chris Sparks and the Public Work Dept. for fields, and finally the communities of Agawam and Belchertown for supporting us along the way.



50¢ Off Any Purchase

with a Student ID

JEWELRY, from page 18

Oakes sad. "Elimination of the rules allows officials to focus on meet administration directly related to actual competition. Coaches continue to have the obligation see that competitors are properly equipped."

Stratton, as well as neighboring Athletics Director Frank Montagna of Southwick-Tolland Regional High School, believes that there is definitely a huge risk if jewelry is worn on the track.

"If a competitor is doing an event like the long jump or the high jump and they are wearing jewelry, they could get seriously hurt," said Montagna. "I personally would not let anyone wearing jewelry on the track."

In Massachusetts, athletic directors and school committee are required to follow whatever rules are put in the place by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association. They are given the right to make stricter rules.

Stratton says he still has to do more research about the rules in place in Agawam, but says he will consider presenting a rule for passage that is stricter, and continues to prohibit the wearing of jewelry in track and field.

"I think it would definitely be safer if we did not have the jewelry on at the track," said Stratton.

Gregory A. Scibelli is a sports correspondent for Turley Publications. He can be reached at gscibelli@turley.com.





You've been together since you were kids — and now you're taking off to school. Don't leave everything behind. Keep in touch with home and take the *Agawam Advertiser News* with you by subscribing today! You'll get weekly updates with current events and news stories that are important to you — and home won't feel so far away.

YES! I want a year subscription to the Agawam Advertiser News for \$35* (out of state \$40).
BILLING INFORMATION

Name	
Mailing Address	
City	State Zip
Credit Card No.	
Exp.Date	_ CW No
PLEASE SEND TO: ☐ Same as	above Recipient below
Name	
Mailing Address	
City	_ State Zip
Agawam Advertiser New	s is published weekly by

Agawam Advertiser News is published weekly by Turley Publications. Please send payment information to the address below or call 1-800-824-6548.



www.turley.com

24 Water Street, Palmer, MA 01069

*In state \$35, out of state \$40, for a one year subscription. GRAD14

New MIAA rules put limit on practices

Contact drills limited to 4 1-2 hours per day

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Football practices started last week for teams across Western Massachusetts, and coaching staffs throughout the area are now following stricter rules that are now in practice by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association.

The rules now dictate how practices can occur during the 10 sessions of the preseasons.

Not only can players not have any contact for the first three days of practice, they are also not allowed to have more than 10 practices prior to Labor Day.

Scott Taylor, coach of South Hadley High School football, says many football coaches follow the rules regarding how and when guys should start hitting each other and how much strength and conditioning they need.

"We follow this calendar for the most part," said Taylor. "It does not take very much to adjust to this."

The one restriction on the calendar is how long players are allowed to be out on the field.

Agawam football coach John Benjamin said he understands the rules regarding how much hitting and contact can take place in the first two weeks, but says limiting the amount of time on the field can be a bit restrictive.

"It can hurt us doing more strength and endurance training early in the preseason," said Benjamin. "A lot of our players then spend their own time doing the weights and conditioning."

According to the new rules put in place, the first three days of practice are strictly restricted to strength and condition. Players are allowed to wear their helmets, but no other pads. Activity does not involve use of footballs. They are not allowed to have contact with each other or any type of stationary machines.

After the three conditioning days, players are then allowed to being having contact. They are restricted to no more than 4 1-2 hours per day of contact. Each session can be no more than two hours

Once contact begins, players can wear their own pads to hit one another. Scrimmages are not allowed until there has been at least three contact practices.

With the practices before Labor Day limited to 10, coaches are often restricted in how much they are able to have double-sessions because they would go over that limit.

In football, Benjamin says the gradual conditioning of players is a positive thing, but making the rules too restrictive can limit coaches during the first two weeks as they prepare players for the first game of the year.

"The preseason is extremely short," Taylor and Benjamin

Gregory A. Scibelli is a sports correspondent for Turley Publications. He can be reached at gscibelli@turley.com.

On The Hill Family Restaurant

37 Southwick Street • Feeding Hills, MA 01030

Breakfast & Lunch served all day!

Mon. - Fri. 6a.m. - 2p.m. Sat.- Sun. 6a.m. - 1p.m.

Dine-in or take-out

Fast, friendly service in a clean hometown atmosphere

Some of our daily homemade specials:

Homemade muffin specialties:

Corned Beef & Cabbage Bacon Mac & Cheese Homemade Lasagna Grinders & Sandwiches the BEST Potato Salad

Come in and try a fresh-baked muffin or our Famous Cheeseburg Chowder!!

Strawberry Cheesecake Apple • Gingerbread Corn • Cranberry Nut Chocolate Peanut Butter Blueberry

413-786-2252 • www.on-the-hill-restaurant.com

Impressions Academy of Dance

Join Us for Our 11th Year!

Open House/Registration

Friday, Sept. 5th from 5-7pm Saturday, Sept. 6th from 11am-2pm



Offering Classes for students beginning at age 2 in:

- Ballet Tap Jazz Lyrical
- All Boys Hip Hop
- Hip Hop Irish Step
- Acrobat
- Creative Movement

Come on in and let us IMPRESS you!



In honor of our 11th year the first 11 new dancers to sign up will receive a FREE GIFT!!!

360 North Westfield Street | Feeding Hills | (The Galleria Shops Plaza)
413-786-5620 | impressionsdance.net

Agawam 2014 fall varsity schedule

	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Away	Amherst	3:45 p.m.	Tuesday, Sept. 2	Home	Longmeadow	3 p.m.	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Home	Chicopee Comp	6:30 p.m.
	Tuesday, Sept. 9	Home	West Springfield	3:45 p.m.	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Home	West Springfield	4 p.m.		Home	Southwick	4 p.m.
	Tuesday, Sept. 16	Away	Belchertown	3:45 p.m.	Tuesday, Sept. 9	Home	Ludlow	3 p.m.		Home	Minnechaug	7 p.m.
	Tuesday, Sept. 30	Home	East Longmeadow	3:45 p.m.	Wed., Sept. 10	Home	East Longmeadow	3 p.m.		Home	Longmeadow	4 p.m.
	Tuesday, Oct. 7	Away	Palmer	3:45 p.m.	Thursday, Sept. 11	Home	Chicopee Comp	3 p.m.	• • •	Away	Westfield	4 p.m.
	Tuesday, Oct. 14	Away	South Hadley	3:30 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 15	Away	Chicopee	3 p.m.		Away	Northampton	4 p.m.
	Tuesday, Oct. 21	Home	Holyoke	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Sept, 16	Home	Minnechaug	3 p.m.	_ *: :	Away	Belchertown	4 p.m.
	Saturday, Nov. 1	Away	PVIAC Championshi		Wed., Sept. 17	Away	West Springfield	3 p.m.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Home	East Longmeadow	7 p.m.
1		y Park in V		1 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 22	Away	Central	3 p.m.	• • •	Away	Ludlow	6 p.m.
1	(4.1. 2.3	,	,		Tuesday, Sept. 23	Away	South Hadley	3 p.m.		Away	Minnechaug	7 p.m.
1		Field	l Hockey		Wed., Sept. 24	Home	Northampton	3 p.m.		Away	West Springfield	7 p.m.
Ι,	Wednesday, Sept. 3		Amherst	4 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 29	Away	Longmeadow	3 p.m.		Home	Northampton	4 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 5	Home	Westfield	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Sept. 30	Away	East Longmeadow	3 p.m.	•	Home	Westfield	4 p.m.
	Wed., Sept. 10	Away	Longmeadow	4 p.m.	Wednesday, Oct. 1	Away	Amherst	3 p.m.		Away	Central	6 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 12	Home	Minnechaug	4 p.m.	Monday, Oct. 6	Away	Minnechaug	3 p.m.		Away	Longmeadow	6:30 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 12	Home	Frontier	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 7	Home	Westfield	3 p.m.	Wednesday, Oct. 22	,	Holyoke	7 p.m.
	Monday, Sept. 22	Home	Northampton	6:30 p.m.	Thursday, Oct. 9	Home	Belchertown	3 p.m.		Away	Chicopee Comp	6:30 p.m.
	Tuesday, Sept. 23	Away	Smith Academy	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 14	Home	South Hadley	3 p.m.		Home	Agawam	6 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 26	Away	Mohawk	4 p.m.	,				, 		3	·
	Monday, Sept. 29	Away	Mahar	3:30 p.m.		Rov	s Soccer		Girls Volleyball			
	Wednesday, Oct. 1	Home	South Hadley	4 p.m.	Thursday, Sept. 4	Away	Chicopee	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Home	Chicopee Comp	5 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 3	Home	Southwick	5:30 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 8	Home	Belchertown	7 p.m.		Away	East Longmeadow	5 p.m.
	Tuesday, Oct. 7	Home	Longmeadow	6:30 p.m.	Wed., Sept. 10	Away	Holyoke	7 p.m.	• • •	Home	Ludlow	6 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 10	Home	Holyoke	6 p.m.	Saturday, Sept. 13	Away	Chicopee Comp	6:30 p.m.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Home	West Springfield	5 p.m.
	Tuesday, Oct. 14	Away	Pioneer Valley Region		Monday, Sept. 15	Home	Minnechaug	7 p.m.	• • •	Home	Westfield	5 p.m.
	Thursday, Oct. 16	Home	Amherst	4 p.m.	Wed., Sept. 17	Away	Ludlow	6 p.m.	• • •	Home	Amherst 5 p.m.	·
	Monday, Oct. 20	Away	Westfield	4 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 22	Away	Westfield	4 p.m.		Away	Chicopee .	5 p.m.
	Thursday, Oct. 23	Away	Minnechaug	3:30 p.m.	Thursday, Sept. 25	Home	Cathedral	4 p.m.	_ *: :	Away	Frontier	6 p.m.
1		y		0.00 p	Monday, Sept. 29	Away	West Springfield	4 p.m.		Away	Sabis 5 p.m.	·
1		Fo	ootball		Wednesday, Oct. 1	Home	Amherst	4 p.m.		Home	Longmeadow	5 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 5	Away	Longmeadow	7 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 3	Away	Longmeadow	4 p.m.	Monday, Sept. 29	Away	South Hadley	5 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 12	Home	Holyoke	7 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 7	Away	Northampton	4 p.m.		Away	Minnechaug	5 p.m.
	Friday, Sept. 12	Home	Chicopee	7 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 10	Home	Longmeadow	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 7	Away	Turners Falls	7 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 3	Home	Amherst	7 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 14	Home	West Springfield	4 p.m.	Thursday, Oct. 9	Home	Frontier	5 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 10	Away	Northampton	7 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 17	Away	Cathedral	4 p.m.	Tuesday, Oct. 14	Away	West Springfield	6:15 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 17	Home	South Hadley	7 p.m.	Monday, Oct. 20	Home	Central	6 p.m.	Wednesday, Oct. 15	Home	Minnechaug	6 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 24	Away	Commerce	7 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 24	Away	Agawam	4 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 17	Away	Amherst	5 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 31	Away	Chicopee Comp	7 p.m.	Monday, Oct. 27	Home	East Longmeadow	4 p.m.	Friday, Oct. 24	Home	Longmeadow	5 p.m.
	Friday, Nov. 7/Saturo			TBA			3	•	-			
	Triday, Nov. 1/Oatur			TDA								

Hackers for Cancer Golf Tournament scheduled

AGAWAM - The Hackers for Cancer Golf Tournament is once again getting ready to hack the course to raise money for children with cancer and other life changing illnesses. This is the fourth annual tournament that continues to honor friends and family members that have lost the battle to cancer, as well as to those who continue the battle.

TBA

Playoff

West Springfield

Friday, Nov. 14/Saturday, Nov. 15

Thursday, Nov. 27 Away

Cross Country

The tournament will be held Saturday, Sept. 20 at Oak Ridge Golf Course in Feeding Hill.

The cost is \$110 per person, which includes 18 holes, golf cart, barbeque lunch and a buffet dinner, golf challenges and many raffles. The cost for dinner only is \$25. Children under the age of 9 eat free.

Registration will take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch on the pavilion from 11:30 a.m. to noon. The four-person scramble shotgun start begins at noon. A dinner buffet will follow immediately after the tournament in the lower level banquet hall.

The Hackers for Cancer is also collecting new, unwrapped plain white tee shirts, size small and up, and printed duct tape. This will be donated to the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp so the campers can continue to make crafts while at camp.

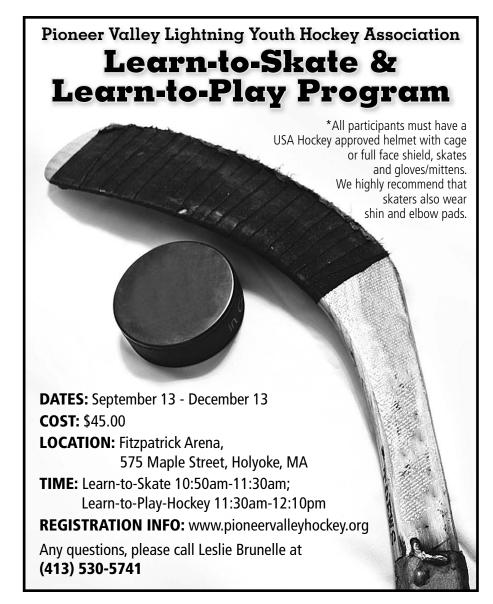
BAA to host golf tournament

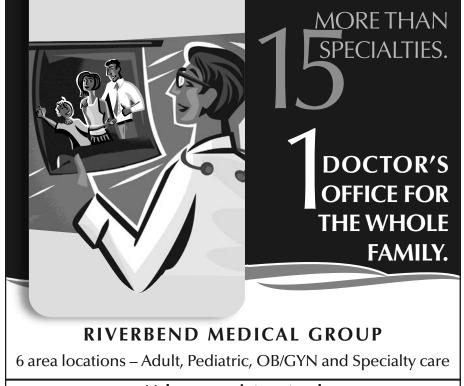
CHICOPEE - The Brimfield Athletic Association will be holding its 23rd fundraiser Sept. 13 at Chicopee Country Club.

The event has a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start. In addition we will have several skills holes, long drive and closest to the pin. Golf fees cover the round of golf, a sandwich at the turn, post golf dinner along with a raffle.

Cost for the event is \$85 per golfer in advance and \$100 the day of the event.

For more information and forms, people contact the Association via email at brimfieldathleticassociation@yahoo.com





Make an appointment and see how we're making it easier to go to the doctor.

CALL 413-789-8000



AGAWAM • CHICOPEE MAIN • CHICOPEE SPRINGFIELD • WESTFIELD • WILBRAHAM www.RiverBendMedical.com

Obituaries & Church News

NOTICES & SERVICES

Scuderi, Giuseppe (loe) Died July 22, 2014 Agawam Funeral Home

Trehey, Alfred Died Aug. 14, 2014 Funeral Aug. 19, 2014 Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home Agawam

Giuseppe Scuderi 1925-2014

Giuseppe (Joe) Scuderi, 89, entered into eternal rest Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at home surrounded by his devoted family. Born in Francavilla, Province of Messina, Sicily, Italy, he was the son of the late Carmelo and Filippa (Tomaselli) Scuderi. He came to Springfield in 1963 and moved to Aga-



wam in 1982. Giuseppe worked as a maintenance manager for the former Gemini Co. (Carters Clothing) for many years. He was an avid hunter and deep-sea fisherman. He loved to garden, and grew the most amazing vegetables. He was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church. Giuseppe leaves his wife of 65 years, Maria (Lita) Scuderi; a son, Carmelo and his wife Patti Scuderi of Russell; two daughters, Antonina Plumadore

and her late husband Daniel of Russell, Giuseppina and her husband Dean Godek of Feeding Hills; seven grandchildren, Marie (Carlos) Paiva, Joseph and Daniel Plumadore, Anthony and Michael Scuderi, Matteo and Alia Godek; and two great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Domenic. The funeral was held at Agawam Funeral Home, 184 Main Street with a Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church. The family would like to thank everyone for their support, kind words and thoughtfulness.

Agawam **Advertiser News Obituary Policy**

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries. One is a free, brief **Death Notice** listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place. The other is a **Paid Obituary**, costing \$50, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice and may include a photograph. **Death Notices & Paid Obituaries** should be submitted through a funeral home to:

Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

obits@turley.com.

News, upcoming events at **Agawam Congregational**

The public is invited to attend the Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St., "a place to call home – a people to call family." Sunday service is at 10 a.m. with a children's message, church school fellowship and coffee hour following.

Sunday, Sept. 7: Family Communion service, 10 a.m. "Start Up Sunday" with a children's message, church school, Youth Fellowship and coffee/fellowship hour following the service.

Thursday, Sept. 11: Playgroup begins, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Open to the public.

Sunday, Sept. 14: 10 a.m., Worship service with children's message, church school and coffee hour

Thursday, Sept. 15: 4 p.m., Loaves and Fishes meets.

Saturday, Sept. 20: 7:30 a.m., Men's Ministry meets at Bobbie J'z.

Sunday, Sept. 21: 10 a.m., Worship service, children's message, church school and coffee hour

Monday, Sept. 22: 7 p.m., Women's Ministry meeting

Friday, Sept. 26: 9 a.m., Newsletter col-

Sunday, Sept. 28: 10 a.m., Worship service with third-graders receiving bibles, children's message, church school and coffee hour.

Pastor Tom Howells is always available for prayer after the service. Newcomers are welcome and members of the community are invited to participate in all church events. For more information, call the church office at 786-7111. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until noon.

The Agawam Congregational church will host its sixth Annual Fall Festival Saturday, Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the front lawn and inside of the church, which is located at 745 Main St.

One of the church's main fundraisers, this event is a juried arts and craft fair featuring original handmade crafts of wood, paper, fabrics, pottery, jewelry, gourds, metals, and more. It will be a day of fun with a book sale, many raffles, homemade pie sale, and an old-fashioned general store, offering popcorn, pickles, some baked goods, and items handmade by church members.

The Country Lunch Cafe will offer a menu of sandwiches, soup, and chili made from scratch.

Vendors are wanted for the Holly Wreath Bazaar, to be held at Agawam Congregational Church Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call the church office at 786-7111.

Museums to host 'History on the Move' Car Show

SPRINGFIELD - Each fall, the Springfield Museums pay tribute to Springfield's role in transportation history with their annual "History on the Move" Car Show. The 11th annual event will take place Saturday, Sept. 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the museum grounds at the Quadrangle. A wide assortment of muscle cars and vintage early automobiles will be displayed, including many pre-1980 cars and an assortment of vintage automobiles manufactured in Springfield.

Ongoing activities that day will include:

* Driving demonstrations of a replica of the Springfield-built 1893 Duryea, the first successful gasoline-powered car (10:45 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., main parking lot);

* A talk on the early car industry in Springfield by museum docent Jerre Hoffman (11:15 a.m., Wood Museum of Springfield History);

* Award ceremony for Best Pre-1950 vehicles, Best Post-1950 vehicles, Best in Show, and People's Choice; 2 p.m.;

* Music plus lunches and snacks available in the Blake House Café.

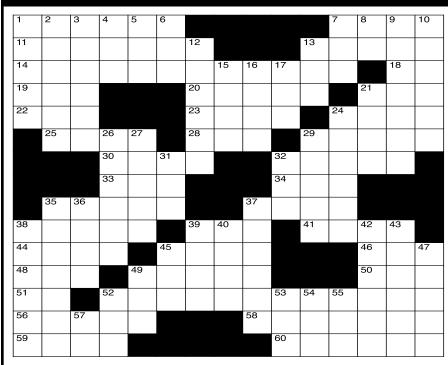
In addition, visitors can also view the transportation exhibits in the Wood Museum, which include an experimental roadster made by the Indian company, an 1899 three-wheeled Knox made in Springfield, two Springfield-built Rolls-Royces, a 1910 Atlas, and a 1903 Stevens-Duryea, the oldest surviving model of its kind. Also on view in the museum is the Wood Museum's famous collection of Springfield-built Indian Moto-

The car show is free with the price of museum admission. Admission is \$18 for adults, \$12 for seniors and college students, \$9.50 for children 3 to 17, and free for children under three and museum members. The fee provides admission to all Springfield

For more information about the event, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 300.

Follow us on facebook.

www.facebook.com/AgawamAdvertiserNews



Community Newspaper **ADVERTISING** Vorks

Retailers and small local businesses put the lion's share of their local advertising in newspapers. They know which media truly moves their products. Besides that, Google's research shows that half of online shoppers are more likely to buy products they've seen in the paper.



Mike Butler, Cindy Avre, Gail Mathes, Kathy Masciotra and Anne DePalma 644 Main St, Agawam • 789-0812 www.ayrerealestate.com

Starting closest to door: Tom Mathes, Lindsey DeFilipi, Kathy Ayre,

CLUES ACROSS 1. Chafe 7. Taps

11. Wild llama 13. "Taming of the

Shrew" city 14. Israel Isidore

Beilin 18. 12th Greek letter __ Lanka

20. Obsequious use of title

21. Failed in function 22. 1st workday

(abbr.) 23. Sea eagle 24. Bamako is the

capital 25. Mains

28. Body of water 29. Fern frond

sporangia 30. Baseball implements

32. Peels an apple 33. Ingested

& prevent 35. Satisfied

37. Having a slanted direction 38. Acts of selling

39. Pod vegetable 41. To lay a tax upon 44. Ancient Olympic

Site 45. Gram molecule 46. Internet addiction

disorder 48. Feline

49. 19301 PA

50. East northeast 51. AKA

consumption 52. U.S. capital

56. 1st Mexican civilization

58. Police radio monitors 59. Give advice,

explain

60. Drab

34. Coverage to cure CLUES DOWN

1. Age discrimination 2. Donkevs

3. Deep narrow valley 4. Cuckoo

5. Newsman Rather

6. Heartbeat test 7. Cooking pot 8. Promotion

9. Ancient barrow 10. Citizens of Riyadh

12. Preoccupy excessively

13. Crusted dessert 15. Ireland

16. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid

17. Downwind

21. Issue a challenge 24. Brooding ill

humor 26. Makes less intense

27. Repletes

29. Languages of the Sulu islands

31. CNN's Turner

32. 21st Greek letter 35. Merchantable

36. Dismounted a horse

37. Catchment areas 38. Private subdivision of society

39. Piglet's best friend 40. Norse goddess of

old age 42. Yellow-brown

pigment

43. TV journalist Vanocur

45. More (Spanish)

47. Openly disparage 49. Political funding group

52. Tiny

53. Greatest common

divisor 54. Tobacco smoking

residue

55. United 57. 7th state

Answers on page 24

Business

'The Barber' holds grand opening

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held at the grand opening of The Barber, located at 665 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. The Barber opened in February 2013, waiting nearly 18 months to complete the team before holding the grand opening.

Closing "Nick's" barbershop in West Springfield after 42 years, Ralph Merola, Gino Del Buono and Joe Beggetta joined up with Tony Spryzenski to start "The Barber." Dan Schneider was welcomed to the team in June.

With over 160 years of combined experience, The Barber provides all types of men's and children's cuts, hot towel shaves, and designs. Hot lather and straight razors are used in the shop. Gift certificates are available. Walk-ins are welcomed and appointments are accepted.



Turley Publications courtesy photo

Pictured at the grand opening of The Barber in Feeding Hills are (from left) State Rep. Michael Finn, West Springfield; Dan Schneider; Tony Suffritti, Agawam city councilor; owner Tony Spryzenski and his wife, Lora Spryzenski; Mayor Richard A. Cohen; State Rep. Nicholas Boldyga; Gino Del Buono; Ralph Merola; Dee Ferrero and Lori Stickles, West of the River Chamber members; and Joe Baggetta.

More BUSINESS News on page 31

Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL

The Agawam City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 15, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Roberta G. Doering School, 68 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the Petition of Bell Atlantic Mobile of Massachusetts Corporation, LTD d/b/a Verizon Wireless

Family Owned

for a proposed Zone Change Plan for property located at 491 Mill Street, Agawam, MA. The Zone Change request is to change the parcel from Residential A-2 to include in the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District. A copy of the proposed Zone Change can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office or the Agawam City Clerk's Office between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. in the Agawam City Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.
BY ORDE

BY ORDER OF: Christopher C. Johnson City Council President 8/21,8/28/14

> LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL

The Agawam City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 15, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Roberta G. Doering School, 68 Main Street,

Since 1985

Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the Petition of Carole A. D'Amato, guardian for James J. D'Amato as submitted by Michael D. Parker, Esquire for a proposed Zone Change Plan for 105 Rowley Street, Agawam, MA. The Zone Change request is to change the parcel from a combination of Residence B and Agricultural to Residence B in its entirety. A copy of the proposed Zone Change can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office or the Agawam City Clerk's Office between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. in the Agawam City Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. BY ORDER OF:

Christopher C. Johnson City Council President 8/21,8/28/14

М

c o

G

ВЕ

RE

Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-8600
Docket No. HD14P1737EA
Estate of:
Grace C. Stirlacci
Also Known As:
Grace Stirlacci
Date of Death:

June 18, 2014
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **JoAnn Trauschke** of Feeding Hills MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

JoAnn Trauschke of Feeding Hills MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of

A D U

the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

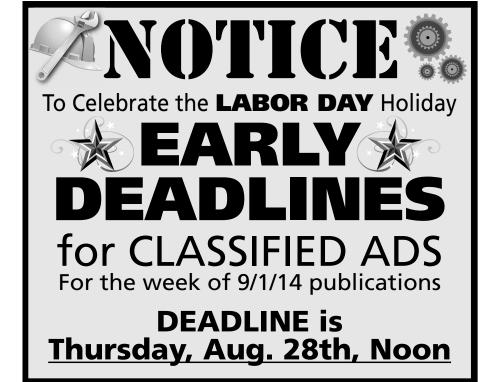
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 8/28/14

People of All Ages Read Newpapers In a typical week two thirds of young adults ag 18-34 read newspapers i print or online. Especiall

In a typical week twothirds of young adults age
18-34 read newspapers in
print or online. Especially
given the fragmentation of
other media, newspaper
advertising is the best
way for advertisers to
reach a critical mass of
young people in
a market.



Visit TJBarkMulch.com for Coupons 18 Different All Organic Double Ground Mulches Pine • Spruce • Hemlock • Cedar • Red, Black • Brown Playground • Forest Blend • Topsoil • Firewood Find Us On Facebook NOW CARRYING DECORATIVE STONE We are a mulch manufacturer, not a resaler of other people's products. This means no middleman, and you save on the best product around. Come visit us on the web for great deals! 413-569-2400 | 25 Sam West Road, Southwick, MA | 860-654-1975



HOW TO SUBMIT LEGAL NOTICES

All legal notices to be published in the *Agawam Advertiser News* should be sent directly to klanier@turley. com. Karen Lanier processes all legals for this newspaper and can answer all of your questions regarding these notices. Please indicate the newspapers and publication date(s) for the notice(s) in the subject line of your email. For questions regarding coverage area, procedures or cost, please call Karen directly at 413-283-8393 x271.

Turley Publications, Inc. publishes 15 weekly newspapers throughout Western Massachusetts. Visit www. turley.com for more information.

Please check
the accuracy of
your legal notice
prior to submission (i.e., date,
time, spelling).
Also, be sure
the requested
publication date
coincides with
the purpose of the
notice, or as the
law demands.
Thank you.

Classifieds

Turley Publications' Community Marketplace → www.turley.com → Call us toll free at 1-800-824-6548

For Sale



A public service announcement presented by your community paper

ANTIQUE AND PERIOD chairs -Restored with new woven seats -Many styles and weaves available. Call (413)267-9680.

CAMPING TRAILER 2011 Jayco Jay Feather Select 19H, 19 ft. dble. axle, hybrid trailer. Super clean, sleeps Super six comfortably -2 Queens, dinette, & sofa. convertible Heat/AC, Full Lav W/shower, 22" flat screen TV, DVD/CD, speakers in/out. WITH: Elec Awning, Elec. Trailer Jack, dual propane tanks, and 2 year extended warranty. \$13,900. Call Christine 413-267-

GRUMMAN ALUMINUM CANOE. new. Very reasonable (413)536-5366.

Tag Sale

BARN SALE CONTRACTORS INVENTORY SALE. Tools. materials, antiques, building furniture, sporting goods, clothing. Something for everyone 8/30-8/31, Drive, Oakridge Belchertown

LARGE ANNUAL ANTIQUE & Collectible Sale Aug. 30- 31. Route 21, Belchertown House #390, 9am-4pm. Partial listing: Furniture, toys, lamps, Ford wrenches, other old tools, vintage melamine, some household items, lots more. Raindate Sept. 6-7

Antiques

STREET ANTIQUES. EASY Buying one item or entire estates. Buying antique & vintage glassware, pottery, Hummels, jewelry, coins, watches, military, toys, Legos, hunting, stringed instruments, tools, & more. Call today. www.ezstreetantiques.com or (413)626-8603.

Firewood

!!!!ALL RED & WHITE OAK!!!! Fresh cut, over a cord guaranteed Cut, split, prompt delivery. Call D & D Cordwood (413)348-4326.

YEAR SEASONED OAK HARDWOOD. delivered. 2, 3 & 4 cord loads. R.T. Smart & Sons 1-413-267-3827 www.rtsmartwood.com.

ALL SEASONED HARDWOOD cut, split and delivered. Prompt delivery. MC/Visa Westview 111 East Hill Road, Monson (413)267-9631.

FIREWOOD

Fresh cut & split \$160.00. Seasoned cut & split \$225.00 All hardwood. *Also have seasoned softwood for outdoor boilers (Cheap). Quality & volumes guaranteed!! New England Forest Products

(413)477-0083. Miscellaneous

DISH TV STARTING at \$19.99/ month (for 12 mos.) Save! Regular price \$32.99. Call today and ask FREE SAME DAY installation! Call now! (877)300-

ST. JUDE THANK YOU for answering my prayers. PF

Miscellaneous

PROMOTE YOUR PRODUCT, service or business to 1.7 million households throughout New England. Reach 4 million potential readers quickly and inexpensively with great results. Use the Buy England Classified Ad Network by calling (413)283-8393, classifieds@turley.com. Do they work? You are reading one of our ads now!! Visit our website to see where your ads run communitypapersne.com

Musical Instruments

FREE SPINET PIANO (Spinet is smallest style) also free 76 note Roland keyboard. You take away. Call Malita (413)596-9075.

Wanted

OLD CARPENTER TOOLS wanted. Planes, chisels, saws, levels, etc. Call Ken 413-433-2195. Keep your vintage tools working and get MONEY.

WANTED ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES Furniture, Advertising signs, Toys, Dolls, Trains Crocks & Jugs, Musical Instruments, Sterling Silver & Gold, Coins, Jewelry, Books, Primitives, Vintage Clothing, Military items, Old Lamps. Anything old. Contents of attics, barns and homes. One item or complete estate. Call (413)267-3786 or (413)539-1472 Ask for WE PAY FAIR PRICES!!!

Wanted To Buy

MILITARY ITEMS. NON dealer, collector. Best prices. Civil Warpatches, Vietnam, medals. weapons, documents. Everything. U.S., Foreign. I'll come to you (413)262-8206

NEW ENGLAND ESTATE PICKERS "in the Old Monson Bowling Alley" We are buying all types of Antiques and Collectibles!! Simply Bring your items in for a Free Evaluation and/ or Cash Offer!! We will come to you. Contents of attic, basements, entire estates! Clean sweep service. All Gold and Silver Items to include; jewelry, costume and estate wrist/pocket watches, class ring, etc., broken or not. Silverware sets. trophies, etc., Coins of all sorts, Proof sets, Silver dollars and other coinage collections! Al of Old Advertising Signs, Military items to include Daggers, Swords, Bayonets medals. guns, uniforms helmets etc. Old toys, train sets, dolls, metal trucks, old games, model car kits from the old bicycles motorcycles, pedal Matchbox, action figures, Pre-1970's Baseball cards, comic books, etc.! Old picture frames prints and oil paintings, old fishing equipment, lures, tackle boxes! Post Card albums, old coke machines, pinball, juke boxes, slot machines, musical instruments, guitars of all banjos, accordions, etc. Old cameras, microscopes, telescopes, etc. Just like on T.V. We buy all things seen on "Pickers" and the "Pawn Shop" shows!! Call or Bring your items in to our 4,500 square foot store!! 64 Main Street.. Monson ("The Old Bowling Alley") We are your Estate Specialists!! Over 30 yrs. in the Antique Business Prompt Courteous Service! Open Daily 10:00- 5:00 Sun

12:00-5:00 (413)267-3729.

Want it! Find it! Buy it! Sell it! Love it! Drive it!



Services

BILODEAU AND SON Roofing.

Established 1976. New re-roofs

and repairs. Gutter cleanings and

repairs. Licensed/ insured. Call

CHAIR SEAT WEAVING &

refinishing - cane, fiber rush &

splint - Classroom instructor, 20 +

years experience. Call Walt at

CHIMNEY SERVICES: CLEAN-

INGS, caps, dampers, repairs

including masonry and liners. The

best for less!!! Worcester to

PAINT AND PAPER Over 25

years experience. References. Lic

#086220. Please call Kevin 978-

(413)267-9680 for estimate.

www.expresschimnev.com

413-650-0126, 508-245-1501

(413)967-6679.

Pittsfield.

355-6864.

READ IT!!!

15 Weekly Newspapers Serving 50 Local Communities

Services



A CALL WE HAUL **WE TAKE IT ALL** WE LOAD IT ALL

accumulations, junk, estates, attics, garages, appliances, basements, demo services 10% disc. with this ad. All Major CC's

CALL NOW (413)531-1936 WWW.ACALLWEHAUL.COM



*****A B HAULING AND REMOVAL SERVICE*****

Cellars, attics, garages cleaned, yard debris. Barns. sheds. demolished. Swimming pools removed. Cheaper than dumpster fees and we do all the work. Lowest rates. Fully insured. (413)267-3353, cell (413)222-



A A CALL - HAUL IT ALL Cheaper than a dumpster. I do all the work, cleanouts, attics, cellars, barns, garages and appliance removal. 10% discount with this ad. Free Est. (413)596-7286

A HOLE IN your roof to a Whole New Roof! Specializing in hard to find leaks. Call N.P. Home Improvements for your roofing needs. 100% Financing. Major credit cards accepted. (413)532-7603

www.nphomeimprovement.com

IOWBLOWER & LAWNMOWER TUNE UP & REPAIR A & M TUNE-UPS

Push lawnmowers, riding mowers and small engine repair.

Work done at your home. Call Mike (413) 348-7967

ACE CHIMNEY SWEEPS. Cleanings, inspections, repairs, caps, liners, waterproofing, rebuilds. Gutterbrush Installations. Local family owned since 1986. HIC #118355. Fully insured. (413)547-

Services

Colonial Carpentry Innovations, Inc Design & Build Team www.colonialinnovation.com Bob (413) 374-6175 lic. & ins. or Jen (413) 244-5112

DK POWERWASHING

WE powerwash houses, decks, patios. Roof Cleaning/ non-pressure wash. Removes ugly dark staining & moss Free estimates. Fully insured, owner operated. Call (413)297-4276

DRIVEWAYS, OIL AND stone, durable but inexpensive. Choice of colors, also driveway repair and trucking available. Fill/ Loam/ Gravel. Call J. Fillion Liquid Asphalt (413)668-6192.

DRYWALL AND CEILINGS, plaster repair. Drywall hanging. Taping & complete finishing. All ceiling textures. Fully insured. Jason at Great Walls. (413)563-0487

FREE PICK-UP ANY metal household items, appliances, pools, mowers, auto parts, yard furniture, grills, fencing, boilers. Call (860)970-4787.

HANDYMAN, TILE, carpentry, sheet rock, repairs, decks, window and door replacement, painting, staining. Call Gil. Free estimates. Licensed, insured (413)323-0923.

HOME THEATER, AV Tech. (Cert. ISF/HAA). The only Cert. Installers in this area. Put in theater for you or install a Plasma the right way. Sales, service. 413-374-8000, 413-374-8300. www.a-v-tech.com

ESTATE TAG SALE MACHADO FARM 1099 CENTER STREET, LUDLOW MA FRI. 8/29 & SAT. 8/30 10AM TO 3PM BARN, SHOP, GARAGE & ATTIC COLLECTION!

Ford Ferguson tractor, Ford 8N tractor w/bucket, mowing machine, 2 bottom plow, snow plow & frame, NH side delivery rake, dump rake, 3 pt hitch disc harrow, Antique dump wagon, flat bed trailer, 3 pt hitch lime spreader, Horse Drawn cultivator & plow, metal staging, dog kennel, racks, chainsaws & gas motors, tool boxes & tools, vises & benches, leaf blower, compressor, table saw, drill press, wooden boxes, painted farm figures, hand & garden tools, lumber, household furnishings, MO rocker & library table, trunks & MUCH MORE!

SALE BY SENA'S AUCTION SERVICE 413-238-5813, MA LIC # 883 SALE STARTS PROMPTLY AT 10AM NO EARLY SALES!

Jim's Renovation,

Services

Repair & Services Commercial & Residential

35 Years Experience Bathrooms ◆ Kitchens Sunrooms **→** Windows

Doors **→** Decks Vinyl Siding **Interior Painting**

"Let Age & Experience be Your Guide"

Call Today 413-538-4228

PLUMBING JOBS DONE by fast and accurate master plumber. Small jobs welcome. Cheap hourly rate. LC9070 Paul 413-323-5897.

PORTABLE WELDING, REPAIR rusted car and truck frames. All types of welding, no job too small. (413)596-4491, (413)244-3571

SUNRISE HOME REPAIRS: Carpentry, decks. hatchways, ramps, painting, property maintenance, after storm/ tree cleanups. Small jobs welcome. Free estimates. (413)883-9033.



RENOVATE, SELL PURCHASE (any condition) horse drawn vehicles such as sleighs, carriages, surreys, wagons, dr's driveable or lawn buggies, ornaments. Some furniture and other restoration services available. Reasonable prices. workmanship. (413)213-0373 for estimate and information. Demers & Sons

Belchertown, MA

Appliances

COLEMAN APPLIANCE SERV-ICE. Servicing all makes and models of washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers, air conitioners. Also dryer vent cleaning. (413)536-0034.

To Celebrate the **LABOR DAY** Holiday



for CLASSIFIED AI For the week of 9/1/14 publications

DEADLINE is <u>Thursday, Aug. 28th, Noon</u>

Classifieds



Turley Publications' Community Marketplace → www.turley.com →

Call us toll free at 1-800-824-6548

Child Services

*NEW STATE LAW. Anyone advertising caring of children must list a license number to do so if they offer this service in their own

BABY SITTER WANTED. Family in Hampden is looking for a baby for our special needs daughter. Local high school or college student preferred. Please call 413-531-4125.

Cleaning Services

CLEANING SERVICE responsible/ 8 years experience we can help you keep your house in perfect condition. Satisfaction guaranteed. Free estimates. Excellent references.

Computer Services

COMPUTERS SHOULDN'T BE frustrating or frightening. I'll come to you. Upgrades, troubleshooting, set-up, tutoring. Other electronics too. Call Monique (413)237-1035.

Electrician

BILL CAMERLIN. ADDITIONS. service changes, small jobs for homeowners, fire alarms, Fast, dependable, reasonable rates. Insured, free estimates. E280333. 24 hour emergency service. (413)427-5862.

DEPENDABLE ELECTRICIAN, **FRIENDLY** service, deicing cables. Free estimates. insured. Scott Winters Fully electrician Lic. #13514-B Call (413)244-7096.

Electrician

JAMES FERRIS: LICENSE #E16303. Free estimates. Senior Discounts. Insured. 40 years experience. No job too small. Cell (413)330-3682.

Home Improvement

20+ YEARS EXPERIENCE! Complete carpentry, drywall and painting services. For all your home improvement needs Kitchens, baths, finished basements and more! Joe's GC-License #CS093368. (413) 219-6951.

ACO MASONRY, HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

Heating & Air Conditioning Service & Installation Furnaces, Sheet Metal All types of masonry work. Chimney repair, tile work, stucco. stone, brick, block, concrete, flat work, pavers, retaining walls. Power Washing License & Insured Commercial & Residential Free Estimates Competitive Rates Call Adam 413-374-7779

C-D HOME IMPROVEMENT. 1 Call for all your needs. Windows, siding, roofs, additions, decks, baths, hardwood floors, painting. work 100% guaranteed. Licensed and insured. Call Bob (413)596-8807 Cell CS Lic. #97110, HIC Lic #162905

Home Improvement

CERAMIC TILE INSTALLATION Kitchen, bath, foyers. References. Lic #086220. Please call Kevin (978)355-6864.

COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION-ADDITIONS. kitchen and bathroom remodels, windows, roofing, siding. Free doors. estimates. Fully insured. Natle, J&N Carpentry (413)348-0383 CS Lic #CS057516, HIC Lic #163318.

DELREO HOME IMPROVEMENT for all your exterior home improvement needs. ROOFING, SIDING, WINDOWS, DOORS, **DECKS & GUTTERS.** Extensive references available, Licensed & Insured in MA. & CT. Call GARY DELCAMP @ 413-569-3733

HOME IMPROVEMENTS. RE-MODELING. Kitchens, baths. Ceramic tile, windows, painting, wallpapering, textured ceilings, siding, additions. Insurance work. Fully insured. Free estimates. 413-246-2783 Ron. Member of the Home Builders Association of MA.

JJ BARBEAU HOME IMPROVEMENT

Decks, Vinyl Siding, Roofs, Fences, Snowplowing. Licensed & Insured. CS #106356 (413)330-7230, (413)364-0813 Jason J. Barbeau

Home Improvement

REFINISHING WIZARDS- WHY replace? Refinishing all bathtubs to like new condition. Offering any color, anti slip guard, also refinishing tub kits, tile floors. Fully insured. Free estimates. Jason (413)563-0487, Joe (413)478-

WATER DAMAGE -CALL JAY (413)436-5782-FOR REPAIRS

Complete Drywall Service. Ceilings Finishing, Painting, (Smooth or Textured). 38 years experience. Fully insured

Instruction

EMPLOYERS NEED WORK-AT-HOME Medical Transcriptionists! Get the online training you need to fill these positions with Career Step's employer trusted program. Train at home to work at home! Visit CareerStep.com/NewEngland to start training for your work-athome career today.

TRUCK DRIVERS NEEDED

A & B CDL CLASSES + BUS Chicopee, Ma (413)592-1500 UNITED TRACTOR TRAILER SCHOOL Unitedcdl.com

Landscaping

QUALITY LOAM, 100% LOAM NO FILLERS, \$18/ yard delivered locally, 18 minimum. Call for pricing on lesser amounts (413)289-2026.

Landscaping

SPRING, SUMMER, **ALL FALL** Specializing in shrub trimming, tree pruning, landscape design, clean-ups, loam, stone mulch deliveries. Also small front loader and backhoe service. Fully insured. Professional work. Please (413)538-7954, (413)537-5789.

A+ ROZELL'S **LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICE**

Full Service Property Maintenance **Bobcat & Chipper Service** Tree, Brush, Shrub, Stump Grinding 55' Aerial Lift Fully Insured Competition Doesn't Cut It! 413-636-5957

A-1 RICK BERGERON LAWN CARE, INC

Shrub Trimming Mowing & Landscaping Loader and Backhoe Trucking Over 30 yrs. in business All Calls Returned 413-283-3192

ACM. HYDROSEEDING, LOAM, bobcat, fieldstone walls, retaining wall systems, pavers, trex decks, mulch and plantings. Waterfalls and ponds. ACMBUILDING.COM (413)348-9826.

HYDROSEEDING AND LAND-SCAPE Construction. Retaining walls, walkways, patios, erosion control, skid steer work, fencing, plantings, loam, trenching, etc. estimates. Medeiros (413)267-4050.

Landscaping

DAVE'S LAWN & Garden we do everything from mowing lawns to garden landscapes. Free guotes depending on your location. Our service offers professional look without professional cost. For any question you can e-mail me at DLandG@outlook.com or call me at (413)478-4212.

DEVENO LANDSCAP-ING*** Shrub trimming, weekly maintenance, bobcat service, new lawns, new landscaping, brick walks and patios. Free estimates. Residential/ (413)746-9065

JJ BARBEAU HOME IMPROVEMENT

Full landscape design. Paver Walkways/Patios/Driveways Block & Natural Stone Retaining Walls & Steps Bobcat work Snowplowing Licensed/Insured CS#106356 (413)330-7230, (413)364-0813 Jason J. Barbeau

LAWN CARE-MOWING. landscaping, debris removal fertilizing, mulch & more-Competitive pricing. Call John (413)519-5821.

MOWING, LEAF CLEAN-UPS bush/hedge trimming, weeding, brush removal, gutters cleaned, and more. Call Carl (413)221-2113 Senior Dicounts.

\$ Fill Out and Mail This Money Maker \$

CATEGORY: 17 19 21 Base Price 24.50 **Base Price Base Price Base Price** 25 Base Price Base Price Base Price 26.50 27.00 27.50 28.00 28.50 30.00 33 30.50 31.00 32.00

Run my ad in the following Zones(s):

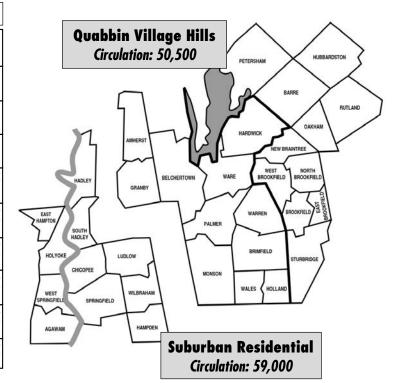


NAME	PHONE	
ADDRESS		
TOWN	STATE	ZIP

THE DEADLINE IS FRIDAY AT NOON

Send to Turley Publications, 24 Water St., Palmer MA 01069. Must include check.

Or call **413-283-7084** to place your ad.



Buy the Quabbin Village Hills or the Suburban Residential ZONE for \$24.00 for 20 words plus 504 for additional words. Add \$5 for a second ZONE.

First ZONE base price	includes additional words
Add a second ZONE + \$500	
Subtotal	
x Number of Weeks	
TOTAL enclosed	
Did you remember to check you	r zone?

Classifieds



Turley Publications' Community Marketplace

→ www.turley.com

→

AGAWAM ADVERTISER NEWS

Call us toll free at 1-800-824-6548

Landscaping



Natural & color enhanced mulch Playground Woodchips Topsoil- Compost. Firewood Pick-up/ Delivery Mon-Fri 7-5, Sat. 7-1 413-596-2348. www.rockymountainwood.com

Pools

AFFORDABLE POOL CLOS-INGS, cover pumping, tear downs, filter repair, new/used filters, motors, weekly vacs, chemicals, Call to schedule LaRue (413)583-(413)289-0164, (413)386-

Painting

PAINTING. BRUSH WORKS Exterior Painting & Interior, Staining. Powerwashing. Quality pricing on Ranch style houses. Rudy (413)262-4007

FORBES & SONS PAINTING & STAINING Interior/ exterior, new construction, carpentry, ceiling/ drywall repairs, wallpaper removal, Deck restorations, Vinyl pressure washing. Free estimates. Owner operated since 1985 Affordable prices. Residential/ Commercial. Insured.

www.westernmasspainting.com (413)887-1987

INTERIOR/ EXTERIOR PAINT-ING, handyman, house and deck staining, powerwashing, deck professional service. Call 413-323-6425. gershemtebah2@yahoo.com.

Plumbing

GREG LAFOUNTAIN PLUMBING & Heating. Lic #19196 Repairs & Replacement of fixtures, water installations, steam/HW boiler replacement. Kitchen & Bath remodeling. 30 years experience Fully insured. \$10. Gift Card With Work Performed Call Greg (413)592-1505.

LINC'S PLUMBING LIC #J27222 **Prevent Emergencies Now** Call LINC'S For Your Connection (413)668-5299

Roofing

ALL TYPES OF ROOFING shingle, flat and slate. Call Local Builders (413)626-5296. Complete roofing systems and repairs. Fully licensed and insured. MA CS Lifetime warranty. #102453 Senior Discount. 24 hour service.

DON'T LET YOUR roof ruin your home's interior. Specializing in hard to find leaks. Call NP Home evaluation today (413)532-7603 Major credit cards accepted. available Financing options www.nphomeimprovement.com

SKY-TECH ROOFING, INC. 25 vears experience. Commercial. residential. Insured. Shingles, single-ply systems. Tar/ gravel, slate repairs. 24 hour Emergency (413)536-3279, (413)348-9568, (413)204-4841.

Tree Work

AFFORDABLE STUMP GRIND-ING. Fast, dependable service Free estimates. Fully insured. Call Joe Sablack. 1-413-436-9821 Cell 1-413-537-7994

Big Rock Transportation, LLC is looking for over the road

truck drivers. We are based in Mars Hill, ME. We run 2014

& 2015 Freightliner Cascadia tractors, pulling 53' reefer

trailers. The drivers are able to take the equipment home

We require 1 year minimum experience hauling

temperature controlled freight. Primary working lanes

will be up & down the East Coast from ME to GA & most

states east of TX. We offer a very competitive wage package

including a sign on bonus, driver referral bonus, and

health insurance, 401K, along with vacation & holiday

bonuses. Drivers can expect to leave home & typically work

7 to 10 days & then have 2 to 3 days of home time. Monthly

bonuses also given for performance, & for the Top 5 drivers

with the best MPG & for the Top 5 drivers with lowest idle

For more information, please contact Doug Lovely,

Amanda Crouse, or Mike Tweedie @ 800-444-9753 Monday

through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM or e-mail at dougl@

Tree Work

ATEKS TREE- A fully insured company offering free estimates and 24 hr emergency service. From pruning to house lot Firewood clearing. hardwood & softwood. (413)687-3220.

WILLOW TREE SERVICE 30+ yrs experience. Free estimates. Fully insured. Removals, pruning, storm damage. Serving Westfield and surrounding areas

(413)569-3383 (413)214-2779 www.willowtreeservicellc.com

Pets

ΒE A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER - Financially needy? Call for assistance to spay/neuter your (413)565-5383 CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR ANIMALS.

RETIRED RACING **GREYHOUNDS AVAILABLE** FOR ADOPTION spayed/neutered, wormed, shots, heartworm tested, teeth cleaned

Make a Fast Friend!

Greyhound Options Inc. Call Mary at 413-566-3129 or Claire at 413-967-9088 or go to www.greyhoundoptions.org.

Horse Boarding

BELCHERTOWN

PROFESSIONAL HORSE care. 50 stall farm, large pastures, indoor arena, outdoor rings, tack rooms, training pen, wash rack, jumping ring, trails on property. Automatic heated waterers, full care. Paddock cleaned daily, \$380 paddock stalls, \$360 regular stalls. (413)262-1079.

Horses

HORSEBACK RIDING LESSONS offered year round at our state of the art facility. Beginner to advanced. Ages 4 years to adult. Boarding, sales and leasing also available. Convenient location at Orion Farm in South Hadley. (413)532-9753

www.orionfarm.net

Help Wanted

ATTN CDL-A DRIVERS **DEDICATED** Flatbed Route Westfield, MA area Home Daily Expect the BEST at TMC! Top Pay & Benefits! Call 800-247-2862 x1 www.tmctrans.com

Help Wanted

DRIVERS: CDL-A. AVERAGE \$52,000 per yr. plus. Excellent Home Time + Weekends. Monthly Bonuses up to \$650. 5,000w APU's for YOUR Comfort + E-Logs. Excellent Benefits. 100% no touch. 877-704-3773

DRIVERS: DEDICATED WIND-SOR freight! 100% driver unloading rollers. \$52,000,00 yearly. Full Comprehensive Benefits Pkg Werner Enterprises: 1-855-615-

HAIRSTYLIST WANTED FOR booth rental in trendy East Longmeadow salon, Please call 413-531-4125.

CNA'S, HHA'S. Highest competitive rates for Home Care Agency, also paid mileage. Professional Medical Services, Inc. (413)289-9018 Ask for Denise EOE

LICENSED HAIRSTYLIST AND RECEPTIONIST WANTED for busy salon. Pay hourly (413)786-6988, (413)562-5988.

PAYROLL CLERK WANTED

for large weekly in-house payroll processing. Must have advance data entry skills; knowledge of Microsoft office applications preferred. Prior experience helpful but will train a strong candidate. Fulltime Monday through Friday 6:30AM to 2:00PM (flexible), with benefits. Open position ready to start ASAP. Send your resume and

wage history to marge@hulmestransportation.com

THE UNITED STATES Postal Service is now hiring: Rural Carrier Associates in the

O10-013 Zip Code Areas Must be 18 years of age, requires valid state driver's license with two years general driving experience. This is a Great Part Time Job Delivering Mail to Rural Areas. The Number of Hours varies, see Job Posting for Details. Applicants must take Postal Exam 473. Approx. starting pay is, \$16.26 per hour. All applicants must have a email address for communication purposes. Interested applicants may apply August 30 through September 5,

https://usps.com/employment The USPS is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted

FOSTER CARE: YOU can help change someone's life. Learn about working with children and teens who have been abused and neglected. Mandatory training to begin in September. Devereux Therapeutic Foster Care at 413-734-2493

Health Care



GET PAID TO CARE FOR YOUR LOVED ONE AT HOME

Massachusetts

MENTOR's Family First program provides support and financial assistance to help you care for a loved one at home. Whether you have a sibling with a developmental disability or an elderly parent who needs care at home our program can help. This program is free for families and paid for by masshealth. Family First is designed to meet the needs of each individual we serve and their caregivers. We provide: In-home nursing consultation Individual service plans • 24/7 on-call support • In-home case management • Medication management To qualify for Family First, the person you care for must: • Be at least 16 years of age • Must be living with you • Receive Mass Health Insurance (Standard CommonHealth) Require assistance with daily living activities • Be medically eligible for services Know someone who may be interested in Family First? Refer them to us for a chance to earn \$500.00 Call 508-368-2724 for more

Business Opp.

LIQUOR STORE FOR sale, \$640K sales, \$140K lottery sales. Established location Westfield, MA \$185K or BRO plus inventory (413)267-0497.

Job Seekers

LA CUCINA DI HAMPDEN HOUSE

is looking for a strong saute/Line Cook, about 50 hours per week. Must have own transportation and be willing to work weekends and holidays. Apply within, no phone calls please. 1 Allen st, Hampden

Real Estate

BY OWNER: CONDO, \$115,500. ALL Appliances included, End Unit, Separate Garage. Westover ARB Area, By appt. Reduced price to sell. (413)575-6075

GILBERTVILLE-SEVEN ROOM home with garage, town water, sewer, three season porch. Overlooking Ware River. Centrally located. Good condition (413)477-6557.

Real Estate



JILL A. GRAVEL, BROKER

See thousands of homes for sale 24 hours a day 7 days a week at

Thinking of selling? Call us today for a no cost, no obligation market value on your home!

www.gravelrealestate.com

END OF SUMMER SAVINGS!

FROM **LABOR DAY UNTIL THE 1st** SNOW FALL WHEN YOU LIST OR PURCHASE YOUR HOME THROUGH ANY GRAVEL AGENT **WE WILL TAKE** \$500 OFF YOUR CLOSING COSTS!

Evenings call: NICOLE FLAMAND JAVIER STUART

HISTORIC HOME PALMER Live "mortgage free" in this vintage home by renting out the upstairs! Central Palmer location with easy access to stores, Post Office, churches, etc. Many upgrades. Has nice, wraparound porch. Will \$140,000. Call (413)283-4913.

Find it in our **Classified** section!!!

Bus Mechanic

Springfield Area Transit is seeking an experienced fulltime Bus Mechanic (2nd shift, Tues – Sat). A CDL class A or B is strongly preferred, but will consider qualified mechanic willing to obtain CDL within first three months. Company may be able to assist with obtaining CDL. Start at \$19.30/hour with excellent benefits. Higher earning potential after 3 months depending on experience. Review detailed job descriptions and requirements under SATCo Careers at www.pvta. com. Send cover letter and resume to: SATCo, Human Resources Dept., 2840 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01107 or upload on our website at pyta.com.

EEO/DF



sargenttrucking.com.

if need be.

- Check out For Sale, Services, Help Wanted and More
- House Hunting For Sale and Rentals
- View the Classifieds in this publication and online 24/7

413.283.7084



www.turley.com

Classifieds



Turley Publications' Community Marketplace ♦ www.turley.com ♦

Call us toll free at 1-800-824-6548

Real Estate

109 West St.

Ware, MA 01082

www.Century21ToomeyLovett.com

413-967-6326

800-486-2121

West Brookfield:

508-867-7064

OUR INVENTORY

HAS DWINDLED

LIST NOW AND BEAT THE

SPRING MARKET

PROPER PRICING EQUALS

FAST SALES

Call us for an accurate FREE

market analysis.

413-967-6326/800-486-2121

NEW - SPENCER: Country

Saltbox with three bedrooms and

two baths. Two fireplaces,

sunroom off the back for privacy.

Nice inground pool area. Great

NEW - SPENCER: Beautiful and

spacious Colonial on 10 acres and

water rights to Stiles Reservoir.

Some updates done. Enjoy a view

and use of the water without the

NEW - WALES: Horse Property,

Contemporary home that is

spacious and open, barn set up for

4+ horses, riding area, two living

rooms, balcony off master suite

NEW - WARE: Extra large Ranch

with over 2300sf, spacious floor

plan, two acres, master bedroom

suite, family room with fireplace.

OAKHAM - REDUCED Privately

set 3-4 bedroom Cape on 7.8

acres, some sweat equity will

make this one yours. One owner

978-434-1990

413-967-5463

413-348-8916 413-477-8780

413-593-6656 508-612-4794

508-867-2727

508-341-8934

413-348-0518

508-523-0114

508-331-9031

508-596-0209

Carolyn Bessette 518-618-7188

home, \$199,900

O'Keefe-Shea

Ruth Vadnais

Jill Stolgitis

Mary Hicks Alan Varnum

Kaczmarski

Bruce Martin

Kathy Hosley

Christy Toppin

Shalene Friedhaber

Cheryl

Glenn Moulton

Dorrinda

Must see for the price. \$199,900

Oversized private deck. \$239,900

waterfront taxes, \$289,900

property. \$249,900

Real Estate

Jones Group

HARDWICK-Magnificent 1835 Greek

Revival w/13 rooms:5BR/3BA on

2.01 acres. Stunning light fixtures

& ornate woodwork, updated

kitchen,5 fireplaces, 5-car garage.

HARDWICK-Nestled on over 4

acres and set way back from the

road is one of a kind, 3000+ sqft

Contemporary. Enjoy 10' wide

porch on 3 sides of the home.

Soaring ceilings, A/C. (71538117)

HOLYOKE - Welcome to Oakdale

Conveniently located you'll find this

1920 4BR, 2BA Home. Hardwood

floors, 1st floor laundry, new

(71702228) \$169,900

\$529,000

(71645715) \$499,000

Real Estate

225 Quaboag St, Warren

OU WILL FALL IN LOVE with

this house. Meticulously main-

tained split entry ranch. Stone

walkway greets you, beautiful color

pallet, master suite, his and her clos-

ets, master bath, large cabinet packed

kitchen, sliders to a patio, fire pit. You'll

love the upstairs and the WOW factor

will hit you again in the finished lower

level! French doors into laundry room

with half bath and space for a home

office. Two car garage. This house lo-

cated in a sleepy town will meet all

your expectations. Easy access to

the Mass Pike in Palmer or Sturbridge

makes this the ideal location for com-

muters. Quaboag Regional School

Take a virtual tour by smart

phone with this QR code

Or view photos of the

home online at

http://tinyurl.com/oa4j9yv

MLS# 71667168

Exclusively offered by

Dorrinda Okeefe-Shea

C21 Toomey-Lovett, Inc.

978-434-1990

District is a plus!

Real Estate

For Rent

ALL REAL ESTATE advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it preference, limitation, discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, discrimination." We will knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

FOR RENT

All real estate advertising in this

newspaper is subject to the Federal

Fair Housing Act of 1968, which makes

it illegal to advertise any preference limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap,

familial status (number of children and

or pregnancy), national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, or any intention to

make any such preference, limitation or

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate that is in

violation of the law. Our readers are hereby

informed that all dwellings advertising in

this newspaper are available on an equal

opportunity basis. To complain about discrimination call The Department of

Housing and Urban Development "HUD"

toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. For the N.E.

area, call HUD at 617-565-5308. The toll

free number for the hearing impaired is

PALMER BONDSVILLE 1 bed

\$650 mo., includes heat & HW,

renovated, parking available, on-

site laundry. No pets. Available

PALMER. LARGE 4 BR \$1,100,

w/d hook-up, eat-in kitchen, pantry, yard. Pet OK, off-street

parking. (413)265-4712, (413)283-

4898, (617)833-7540

You'll find it

in the Turley

September 1st (508)330-6629

1-800-927-9275.

WARE- 3 BR \$750 plus utilities, New kitchen, w/d hook-up, storage. No smoking, no pets. Call for details (413)320-5784.

Vacation Rentals

SPECTACULAR ADIRONDACK

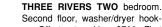
WARM WEATHER IS year round in Aruba. The water is safe, and the dining is fantastic. Walk out to the beach. 3-bedroom weeks available. Sleeps 8. \$3500. Email: carolaction@aol.com for more

Auto For Sale

1998 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT \$1500 or BO call (413)348-4606

TIRES- CARS TRUCKS, 13" to 20" mounted & balanced. Used Autos & Trucks \$1,000 to \$4,000. RPS Auto, 1181 Park Street, Palmer

CASH FOR CARS: Any make, model or year. We pay more! Running or not. Sell your car or truck today. Free towing! Instant offer: 1-800-871-0654.



up. Off street parking. \$700 First month plus security deposit. 413-

For Rent

PROPERTIES for sale and rent. Year round homes and condos. wooded sites on a pristine lake, tennis, golf. Contact John Palermo (518)494-3721.

information.

Auto Services

(413)289-1537

Autos Wanted

\$\$\$ AUTOS WANTED TOP Dollar paid for your unwanted cars, trucks, vans, big and small,



for parts/or restoration vehicle runs. Fully loaded 4 door, sunroof

running or not. Call 413-534-5400.



Your Ad COULD BE **HERE**

Land For Sale

LAND FOR SALE in Rumney, NH 79 commercial and residential acres, timber, with 1,050 ft. of double access primary highway frontage. Lakes and mountain skiing near by. \$2 Telephone (603)726-3552. \$296,000

Land Wanted

LAND WANTED - Young couple looking for land, in Belchertown, to build home and raise family, pets and farm animals. NOT for development. (413)262-6291

Mobile Homes

CHICOPEE 1989 COZY bedroom, completely updated park model. Open floor plan, center kitchen, ideal starter home \$25,900 413-593-9961 DASAP.MHVILLAGE.COM

For Rent

PALMER 2 BR, 1st fl, and 1 BR, 2nd, stove, refrid, off-street parking. 1st & last. No pets. (413)433-1856

HERITAGE TRAIL APART-MENTS, West Brookfield now applications. bedrooms starting at \$600/mo. Heat and hot water included. Call 774-200-1520.

MONSON REMODELED 1 BR plus electric. background check, references. First, last plus \$300 non refundable cleaning/ re-key fee.

LUDLOW, 181 STATE ST., 2 BEDROOM apartment, 1st fl, includes refrig., stove. Available



7/31/14. \$700/ mo. No Pets Allowed Call **(413)315-0368.**



boiler, deck plus a 2-car garage

WEST SPRINGFIELD - You will love this 3BR/1.5BA Cape with so many updates-too much to list! New Kitchen, HW floors, 1 car garage & 2.5 car detached garage, large fenced yard.(71703125) \$194,900



WARE - Light & sunny 3BR, 2.5BA Contemporary. Enjoy the open floor plan. HW floors, new carpet, free standing stone fireplace, vaulted ceilings and laundry on first floor. (71682314) \$225,000

Jones Group Realtors® 45 N. Main St. **Belchertown** 413-323-7295 JonesRealtors.com

Three zones and a whole lot of coverage area!

Agawam Advertiser News • Barre Gazette • Country Journal Chicopee Register • The Journal Register The Ludlow Register • Quaboag Current • The Sentinel Shopping Guide • Southwick Suffield News • The Holyoke Sun Wilbraham-Hampden Times • The Town Common Town Reminder • Ware River News

Please Recycle This Newspaper Turley 5 Publications, Inc.

www.turley.com

Visit our web site to place your ad with the click of your mouse!

Out & About

OUR CALENDAR SECTION is intended to promote "free" events, or those that directly affect a volunteer-driven organization. Paid events that are not deemed benefits do not qualify. Non-charitable events that charge the public for profit are not allowed as we consider that paid advertising. The deadline to submit calendar items is Monday at noon. Send to the Agawam Advertiser News at aan@turley.com, fax to 786-8457, or mail to 23 Southwick St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030. We usually print at least one week prior to an event. The listings should be brief with only time, date, location, activity explanation and contact information.

Saturday, Aug. 30

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN CENTER, at 522 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, will host a free Back-to-School BBQ from 5 to 7 p.m. It will be held rain or shine and will include free hotdogs, hamburgers and soft drinks as well as face painting and other children's activities. For more information, call (413) 821-0937.

THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN, 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, features karaoke every Saturday beginning at 8 p.m. The public is welcome.

THE HOLYOKE MERRY-GO-ROUND is open Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call (413) 538-9838 or visit www. holyokemerrygoround.

Sunday, Aug. 31

A FREE BREAKFAST ON THE LAWN is offered every Sunday at 9 a.m. at Hope Community Church located at 152 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills. Everyone is welcome on the "hill" for a good breakfast and good fellowship. For more information, call (413) 786-2445 or email office@hopechurchagawam.org.

Monday, Sept. 1

THE HOLYOKE MERRY-GO-ROUND will be for the Labor Day holiday from noon to 4 p.m. It is located in Holyoke Heritage State Park and parking is available in the free lot. For more information, call (413) 538-9838 or visit www.holyokemerrygoround.org.

Tuesday, Sept. 2

THE AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER will host a free movie ("Yankee Doodle Dandy")

at 12:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library. No registration needed.

Wednesday, Sept. 3

THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN, located at 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, offers Trivia Night every Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. The public is invited to come as one or as a team. Subjects include general knowledge, sports, history, music and more. Prizes awarded.

Thursday, Sept. 4

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "Norman Rockwell's World: Tradition and Nostalgia in 20th Century American Art" featuring Guy McLain, director of Wood Museum of Springfield History, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts, at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

UPCOMING AND ONGOING

THE AGAWAM CULTURAL COUNCIL'S APPLAUSE SERIES begins its 11th season Friday, Sept. 5 with a performance by the Millennium Magic Chorus at the Agawam Senior Center beginning at 7 p.m. All Applause events are free and open to the library. For more information, visit www. agawamcc.org.

THE SPRINGFIELD SCIENCE MU-SEUM'S large rooftop telescope will open for public sky gazing Friday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. as part of the "Stars Over Springfield" observatory series. Best suited for families with children ages 8 and older, however younger children welcome. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 17 and under. Rain or shine. Secure, free, onsite parking available. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 318.

THE ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTER OF WESTERN MASS., 56 Margaret St., Springfield, will host a showing of "Rome Open City," Friday, Sept. 5. Doors open at 6 p.m.; movie will start at 7 p.m. Donation is \$7 for members and \$10 for non-members and includes beverage and snack. For more information, visit www.iccwm.org or email iccwm@comcast.net.

Forgetting something?

- Got her school supplies
- She's made the bus and is in school (hopefully)

• Signed up for an activity

 Had her medical and dental check-ups...

 What about her moral and spiritual growth?



Take care of BOTH of you...once a week for one hour – Sundays @ 10
St. David's Episcopal
699 Springfield St., Feeding Hills
www.stdavidsagawam.org

Limited Enrollment. Call Today 786-0302 for info & tour

Before and After School Program



Serving Robinson Park School

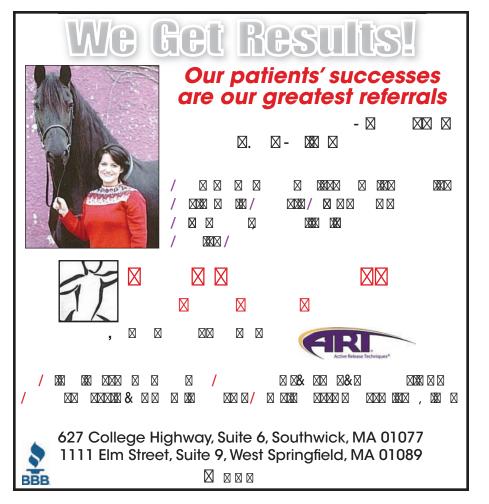
X

X

A classroom dedicated to providing age appropriate educational, scientific and literacy activities as well as outdoor play and homework assistance - all in a safe and caring environment.







- Attic & Basement Cleanouts
- Bobcat Services
 Gutter Cleaning
 - Storm Damage Cleanup
 - Pre-Sale Home Improvements

789-6382

Public input sought on space and recreation plan

Agawam residents are invited to discuss their views on the town's parks, playgrounds and open spaces at a public hearing to be held Thursday, Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library.

In the fall of 2013, Mayor Richard A. Cohen appointed members of the Open Space and Recreation Plan Advisory Committee. This committee and the Office of Planning and Community Development have been updating the 2006 Open Space and Recreation Plan. An Open Space and Recreation Plan outlines a strategy for maintaining and enhancing a community's resources for current residents and genera-

A Massachusetts community with an approved Open and Space and Recreation Plan is eligible to apply for a number of open spaces and recreation grant programs. The Plan ordinarily must be updated every five years.

Las year, Agawam's Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee prepared and distributed a survey to Agawam residents. Eighty-five percent of the respondents indicated that the town should promote and enhance existing recreational facilities and open space; 74 percent stated that the town should protect its natural resources (wetlands, watersheds and water bodies). Regarding future open space investments, respondents gave the following the highest priority: walk-

ing and hiking trails, 58 percent; bike trails, 47 percent; a town-owned youth recreation center, 45 percent; a new high school track, 45 percent; and a dog park, 45 percent.

For more information, contact the Office of Planning and Community Development at 786-0400, ext. 8738 or email planning@agawam.

Support the local businesses that support

your local newspaper. Let them know you

 \boxtimes

saw their ad in the Agawam Advertiser

NORTHFIELD DRIVE IN 2014 SERSON 19th Annual Labor Day Weekend Dusk-To-Dawn Show With 4 Movies Shown All 3 Nights! FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY • AUGUST 29, 30 & 31 - Teo Halm, Astro, Reese Hartwig - Richard Armitage, Sarah Wayne Callies, Matt Walsh **SHOWN RAIN 22 JUMP STREET -**- Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum, Peter Stormare OR SHINE!

Dial-A-Show 603-239-4054
 www.northfielddrivein.com

- Frank Grillo, Carmen Ejogo, Zach Gilford

THE ARBORS

nor ⊠h'n e

406 urt \boxtimes treet, es field \boxtimes \boxtimes 0 10 \boxtimes 5

001 5 201,

THE PURGE: ANARCHY -

Now Shown With Digital Projection & Dolby Digital Sound

⊠unday⊠ e0tember 1 1 **1 1 0** am 1 3 **1 0** 0 m **26 A 3** and⊠ o⊠ u. h⊠ ore \boxtimes

2⊠ te0₩ ea n. e \boxtimes ho0 \boxtimes at ⊠ro0bt he⊠ tar ood, ent

22.2 \bigsim , ue**s**l ay, ⊠e0tember ⊠th 4월 016 월 00 m 6 mea nde arn everything you need tok now about assisted iv ing. X

> \boxtimes XXX

Todd Ratner from Bacon and Wilson will be here to speak about Medicaid and Life Estates

X

!! \boxtimes X

Three businesses celebrate grand openings

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – For nine years, Mama Galloni had cooking classes and made beautiful food right from her own kitchen.

At the time her home business started, she had one son living in the area, and her other son, Gary Couture, was living in Texas with his wife. When her son died, Gary and his wife Barbara moved back to Massachusetts and joined Gary's sister, Keri Regnier in starting a lifelong dream of owning a business that not only included cooking delicious food to sell, but also allowed for their mother to give cooking lessons.

The business opened in January at 1325 Springfield Street in Feeding Hills, and last Thursday, Mama Galloni's joined two other businesses in having their grand opening and ribbons cuttings in a fun, open-house style event.

"It is really a dream come true," said Betty Coture, otherwise known as Mama Galloni. "It will be the kids' business, but I am going to be teaching the cooking classes."

Betty Couture cooked for the Agawam Senior Center for more than 20 years before retiring. From there, her home business took off. But there was just not enough room. The space at the new store will allow her to teach cooking classes of about 12 people.

"It's going to be a really fun environment for people to come and learn about almost any kind of cooking or baking," said Gary Couture. "One of the best parts is that people get to eat and take home what they make in the classes."

Keri Regnier said she is really happy to be part of a business with her mom and brother and business has been doing well since they opened.

"We are doing gourmet meals to go," said Regnier. "All the meals we are serving for takeout are our mother's recipe."

Along with Mama Galloni's, Bittersweets and Blush had their grand openings and ribbon cuttings.

"I thought this was a great event to have with the neighboring businesses in the plaza," said Gary Couture. "It just adds awareness to the area."

Hugo Lee has opened Bittersweets, a frozen yogurt shop where customers can come in and fill their dishes with ice cream and toppings. The difference between his business and others is that he does not charge by the ounce for the ice cream and toppings.

"We do not have a scale here," said Lee. "I charge one fee for the different size bowls,



Janette Simard does Lexi Kupiec's makeup at the new Blush Salon.



Henry, 4, and Cece Baldyga, 6, enjoy some frozen yogurt at Bittersweets, which recently opened.

and that is all a person has to pay. No hidden fees or anything."

In addition to the frozen yogurt, Lee also has Belgian waffles, coffee, popcorns and

In addition to the frozen yogurt, Lee also has Belgian waffles, coffee, popcorns and pastries available for his customers. Lee is a resident of Agawam and said he was attracted to the plaza at 1325 Springfield Street because its proximity to two area schools. He hopes children will come spend some time after school in his shop.

Erin Torte held the grand opening of Blush, a new-age modern hair salon and makeup and skin care boutique.

Torte says her business is very unique in that makeup artists and skincare experts are available to assist customers.

"We also have a huge family atmosphere," said Torte. "I have a lot of support from my family members. They have all helped me make this dream come true. We want to make sure everyone who comes in here feels beautiful in their own way."

In addition to the services available, Torte says hair care, skin care and makeup lines are all available for purchase.

"It's really a young, fresh twist on a salon," said Torte.

After cutting the ceremonial ribbons on the three businesses, Mayor Richard Cohen said he was pleased to see the growing businesses in town.

"We're so fortunate to be able to celebrate the grand opening of three new businesses in town," said Cohen. "We hope that everyone will come out to the shops for great yogurt, great meatballs and a great haircut."



Turley Publications photos by Gregory A. Scibelli

Mayor Richard Cohen cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of Mama Galloni's last Thursday.

Back to School Special!



First Month **\$24.95**

With FREE Uniform!

- Affordable Rates with Special Family Plans
- •UNLIMITED Training
- •Adult Day & Evening Classes
- •Tiger Tots Program for kids 3-5 yrs old
- •NO CONTRACTS

Come try a class for **FREE!**



(413) **789-8992**

Personal Training



"Tyrone"

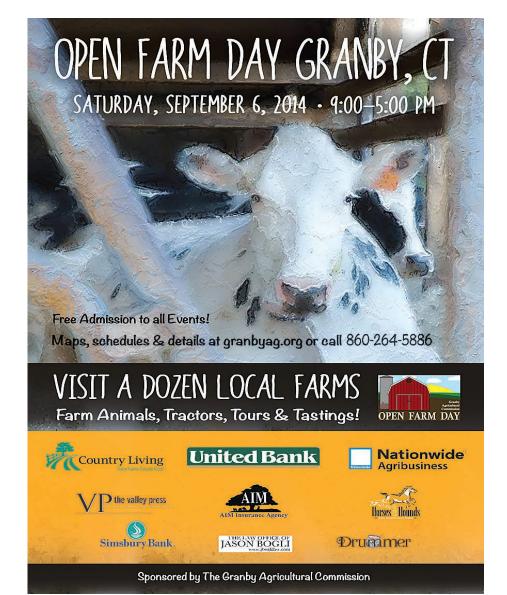
Jenkins

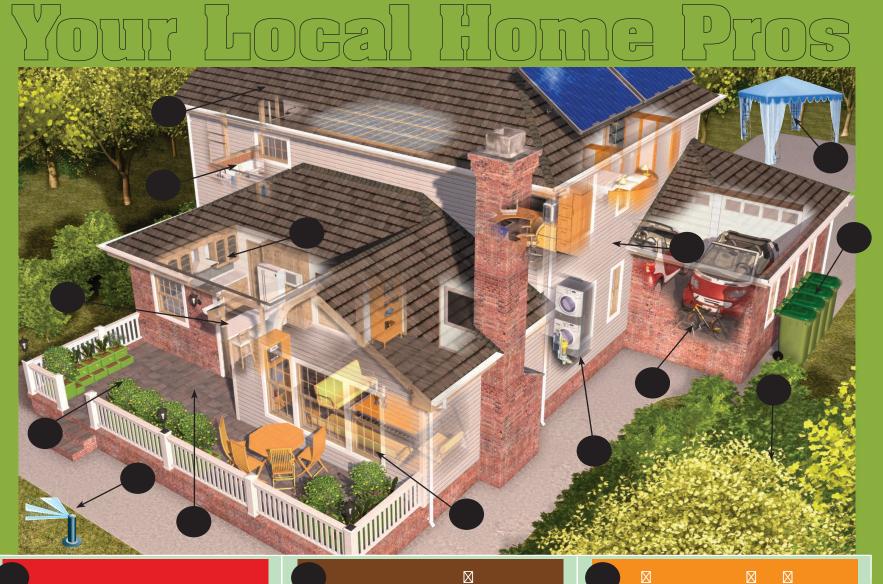
You <u>can</u> achieve your personal fitness goals!

- Taught by Licensed Personal Trainer / Martial Arts Black Belt
- Classes to fit your busy schedule
- One on One Private Training
- Group Training Available
- Cardio Kickboxing including CORE Training and Cardio Boot Camp

Call for a <u>FREE</u> consultation and Affordable Personal Training Rates!

35 Southwick St. (Route 57) - Feeding Hills MA





1 🛛 1 🔻 9🖂 0 www.newasteinc.com

BOB LONGO CONSTRUCTION

45 Years Specializing in Kitchens & Baths **Additions**

• Vinyl Siding • Decks New or Replacement Windows & Sliders • Porches & Sunrooms • Bathrooms

Fully Insured Free Estimates 413-789-0758



7 2 2 1 574 , ⊠ **4** 560 ⊠6 5

66 **76**×

MASTER.

∞∞ ∞ ,0∞-∞ /21∞ **∞∞3** ∞

2□-,14 Plumbing & Heating, Inc.

X

 \boxtimes \boxtimes

 \boxtimes

WE RENT TENTS FOR YOUR EVENTS

20x20 Tents \$99.99 20x30 Tents \$149.99 20x40 Tents \$179.99

11 HAM HILL ROAD SOUTHWICK, MA 01077 999. 🛮 0. 🖾 6 165 20



KraftMaid

LOCKSMITHS

 \boxtimes 1 \boxtimes 6 \boxtimes 9 \boxtimes 0 6 MM 65MM 5 20 18 8 0 0 0 - 0 18.2 .22 2 - 2 18.2 .22 2 - 2 18.2 2 2 3 2 3 2

X

HOME IMPROVEMENT

. 20 0 3428 0 16 0 🖾 20

SERVICES OFFERED:
 ⋈ 71 060
 160
 1133
 4
 2 № 81

 4 91
 1
 30 45 № 00
 6
 4 3 164 №

 \boxtimes

A FULL SERVICE TREE COMPANY 3 - 0 100 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 4 00 75 4 2 🛭 8 1 \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes \boxtimes

X \boxtimes



BBB \boxtimes

Remodeling and Restoration

! ⊠ \boxtimes \boxtimes MAN-2X CALL FOR A FREE ESTIMATE

 \boxtimes



Fully Licensed & Insured Contractor



